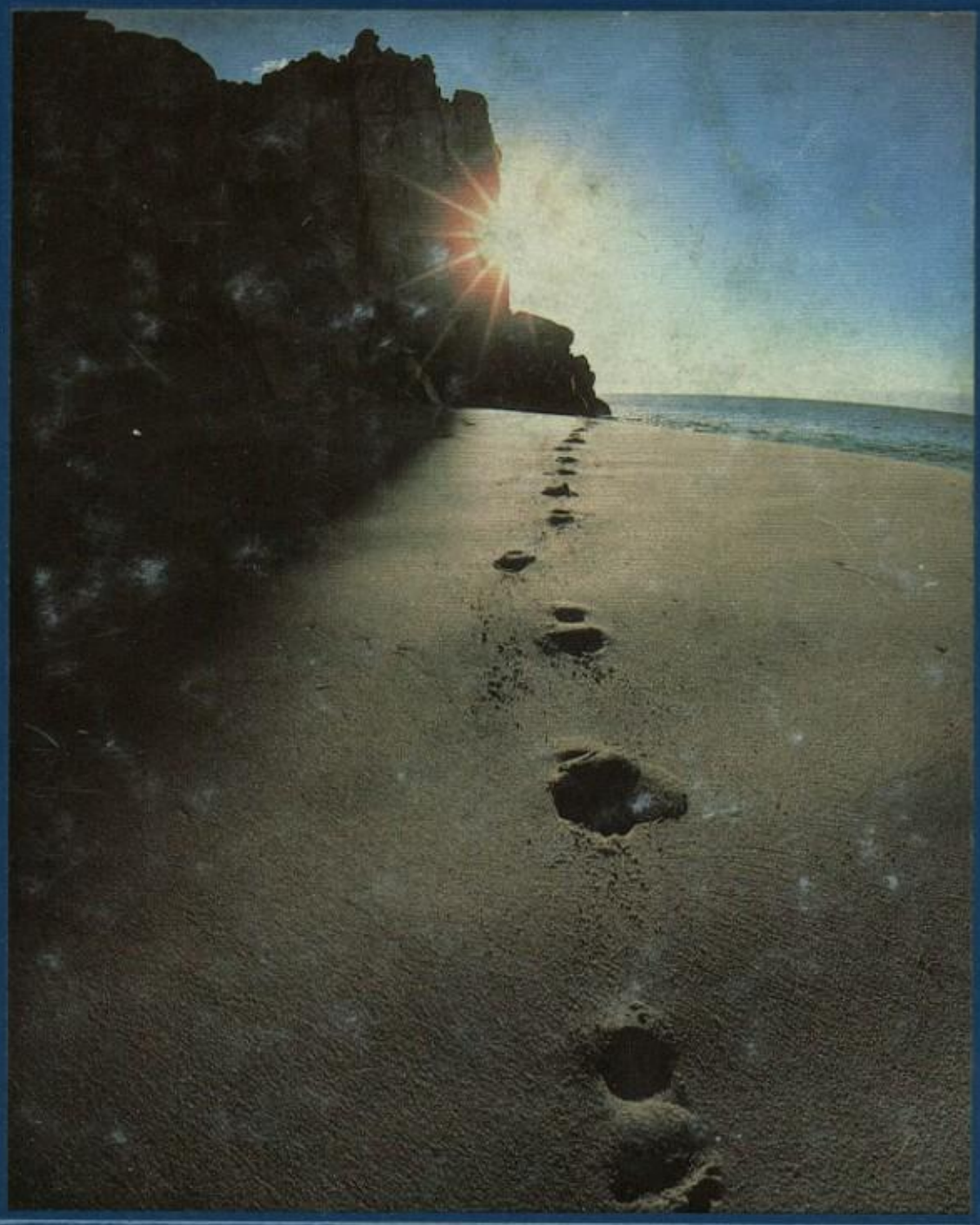
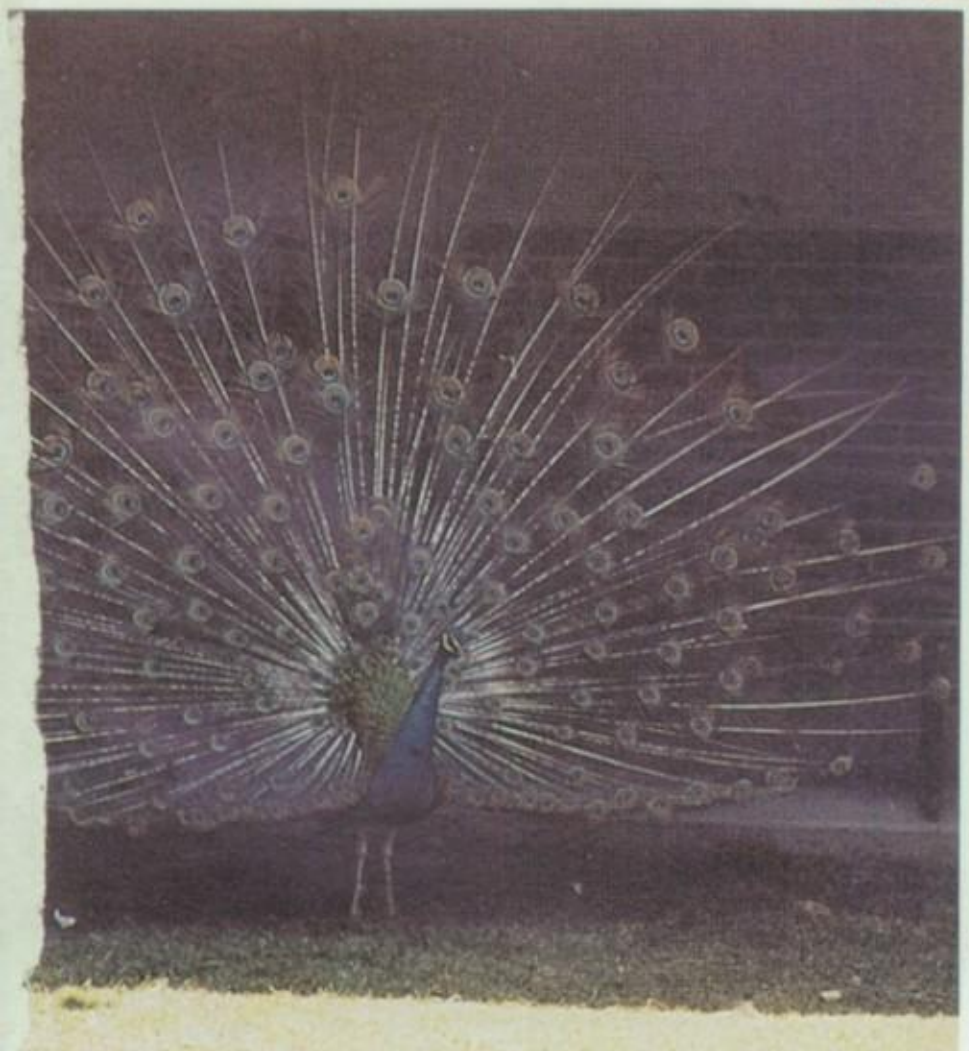


A YEAR OF DISTINCTION

SERRA 1986

El Padre 1985-1986

A Difference Worth Remembering



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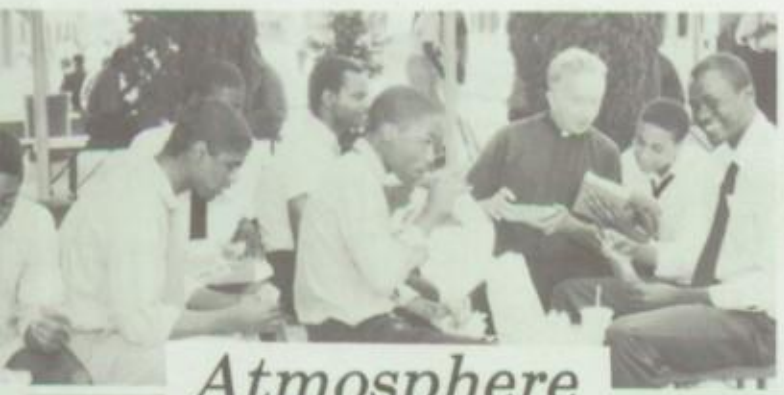

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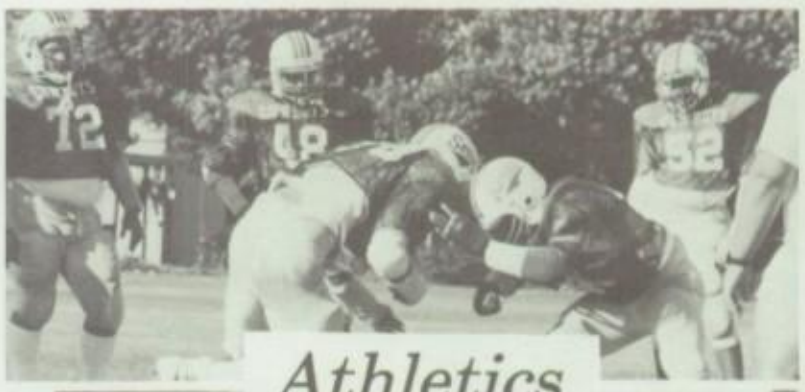

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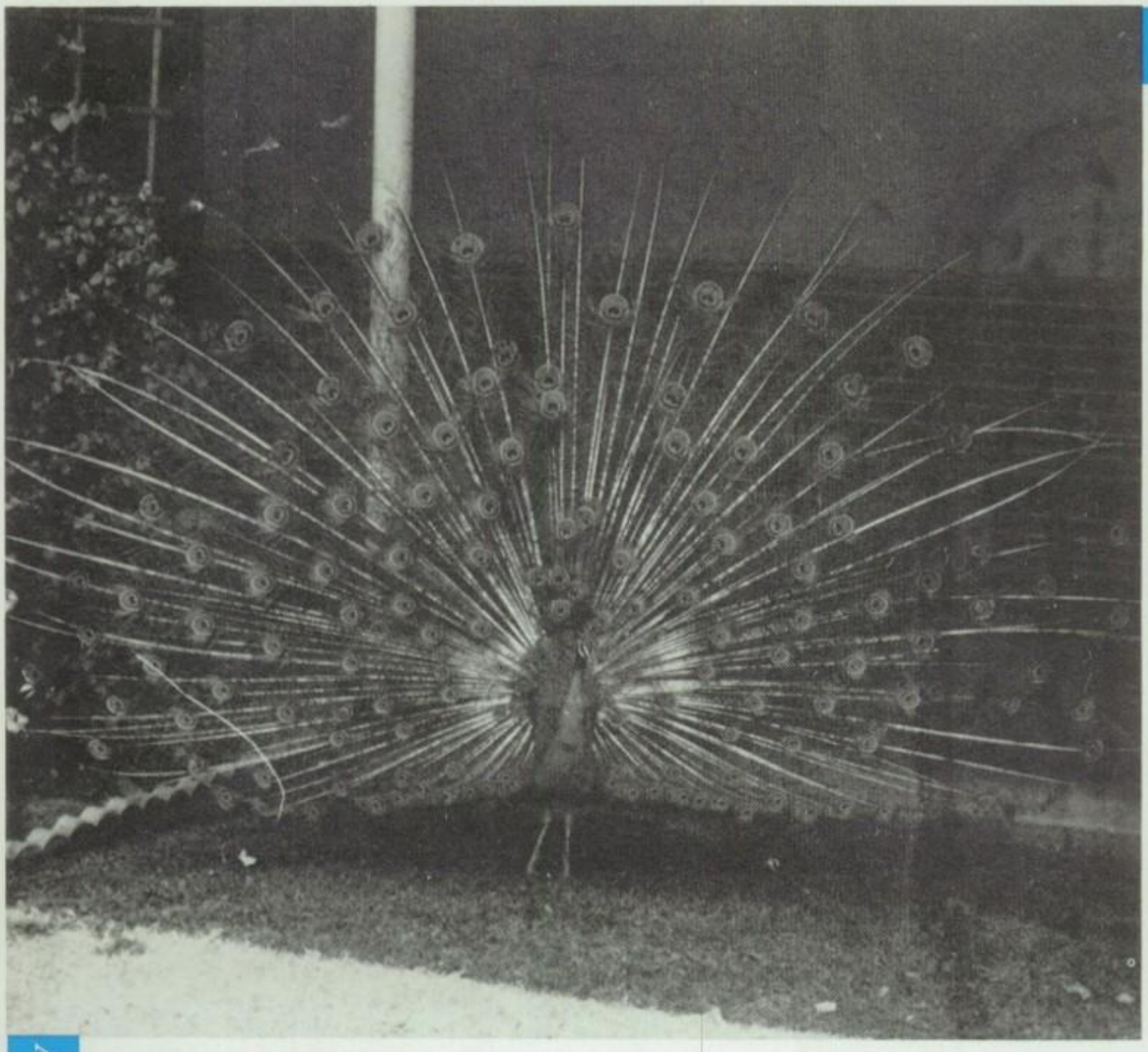


Closer to Eden than South-Central Los Angeles.

Masses Peacocks Ties

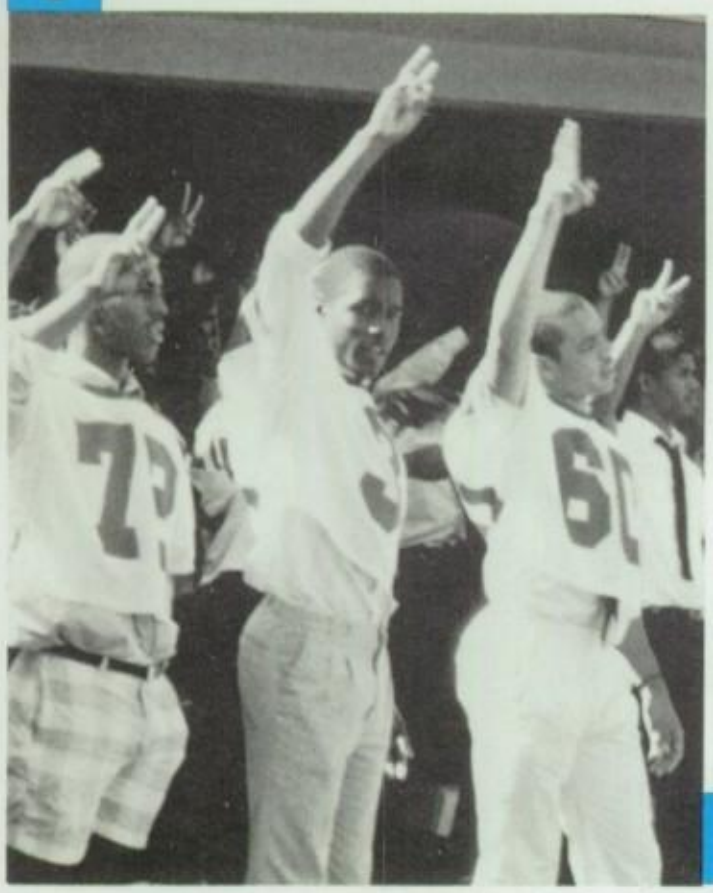
One need only walk on campus to know that Serra is different. The aviaries, the peacocks serenely wandering through the senior patio, the potted plants that record hard-won victories, all contribute to make a very clear statement: Serra is much more than most high schools.

When the bell rings and doors fly open with students spilling into the hallways, the visitor to Serra takes a second look. They realize what Serra students all know- there is a "Serra look." The hair is short, the attire is dressy, and the look is self-assured yet friendly.

What Meets The Eye

In a school of 500 no one is a stranger. You pass through the halls nodding at classmates, exchanging passing words with your friends. The Serra student looks comfortable. Whereas the streets require a stifling conformity, dictating down to the collor of ones shoe laces, Serra students, particularly the seniors, are free to be themselves. The variety of personalities: Kieth Malone, Jimmy Tucker and Bobby Smalls all contribute to the visual picture that is uniquely Serra.

Voices raised in Victory.



Seniors show their spirit.

Elizabeth Tyler and Milton Simpson-Serra's fundraisers.

A scholar's pose.

Br. Charles raising money for the needy.

Subtle But Essential

It is said that beauty is more than skin deep. As well, Serra is more than what immediately meets the eye. The visible is merely the tip of the iceberg, for what lies below the surface is what really makes Serra special. In short, Serra cannot be fully seen, Serra must be experienced.

A normally outgoing student who comes to class in a subdued mood is quickly approached by his friends. "What's wrong? Is everything alright?"

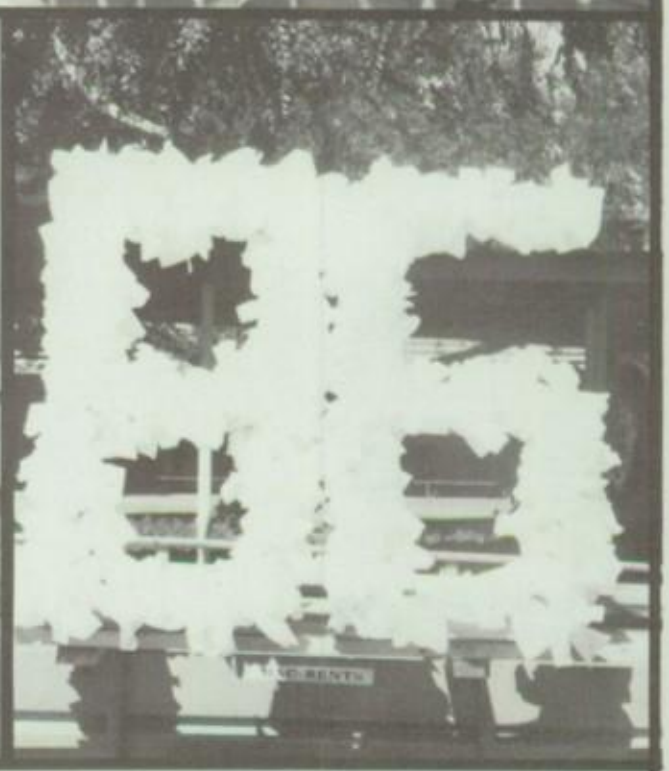
The crucial play is about to unfold on the football field. Every player on the sidelines silently mutters under his breath, "Do it! Common, I know you can execute . . . just like in practice." Muscles tense with anticipation. And success brings an exhilaration that is shared by every player.

Students file wearily into class. Each student knows that his classmates stayed up late, completing the reading assignment, finally figuring out the equation, memorizing the endless data. A certain comradeship exists, the product of a common struggle.

Studious Involvement

Gospel Values Support Faith Brotherhood Unity Discipline Concern Family Warmth Friendships

The Beginning Of Serra's Homecoming Floats & Homecoming Court



Serra's Homecoming Is Unique.

The uniqueness of Serra's homecoming is a product of the total commitment of the Serra students. One of the major attractions on homecoming night, that reveals the Serra commitment, are the homecoming floats. Each division builds their own float which exemplies the characteristics of that particular class. The construction of the floats begins on Monday and ends Thursday night. Throughout this time you can see a tremendous amount of joy, companionship, teamwork, and also a tremendous amount of hard work. Throughout homecoming week, in shirts and ties, students hammer nails, saw wood, stuff chicken wire, and spray paint the floats. By Thursday, a sense of class pride has been established. Each division feels that their class float is superior. Thursday evening comes and all the floats are ready for the big night. Serra High's homecoming is one of few high schools that create homecoming floats.

Another major contribution to the uniqueness of Serra's homecoming are the young ladies who possess the desire to wear the homecoming queen's crown. The young ladies are interviewed by the Student Council and then give a speech to the entire student body expressing the qualities they would bring to the role of homecoming queen. Serra homecoming queens must possess two qualities to represent Serra; Beauty, and most importantly-Brains.

The long week of building floats has ended and the anticipated Friday night is near.

Serra's Homecoming Debut

The night is here and the suspense is high. The floats are finished, the excorts are dressed nicely in their tuxedos, and of course the young ladies look exquisite. The only thing the fans and the court are anxious to know is who will be Serra's 1985-86 Homecoming Queen. As you can see, it was Tracy Lee. Tracy, who is a senior at St. Michael's high school, represents what Serra expects in a homecoming queen: brains and beauty.

Tracy has been associated with Serra for the past three years and is seen constantly by the student body entertaining the crowd as a Varsity Cheerleader. All in all, Tracy Lee is one young lady who represents Serra High School.

Serra's 1985-1986 Homecoming Court

Serra's Homecoming Court

Queen Tracy Lee escorted by Hilliard Smith

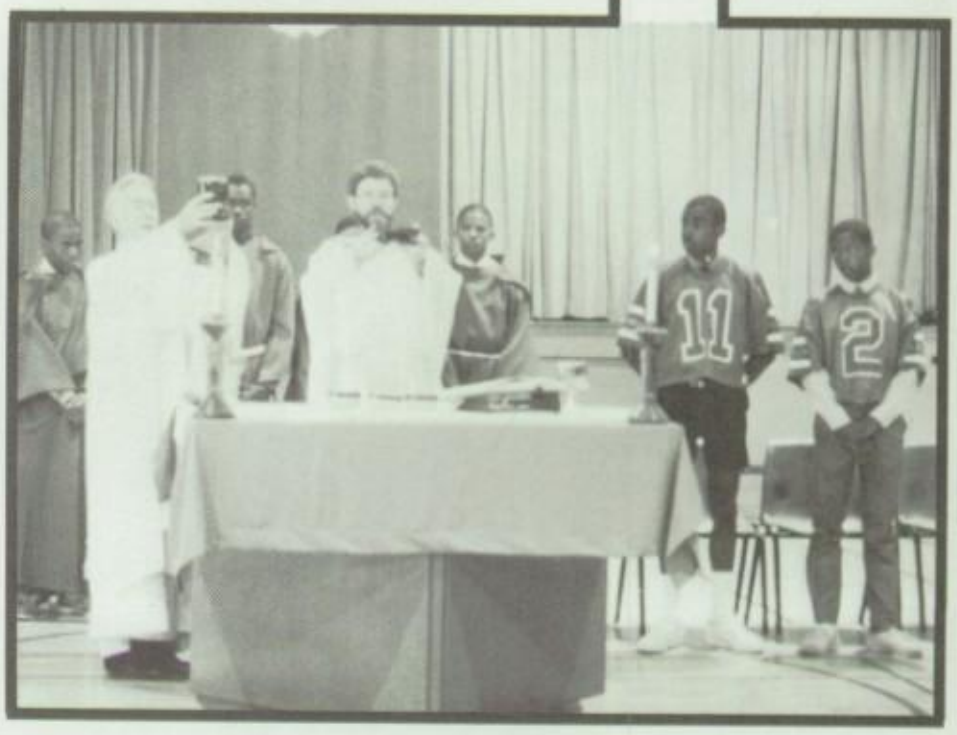
Princess Lola Hilliard escorted by Darvin Jackson

Princess Teri Tillman escorted by Keith Malone

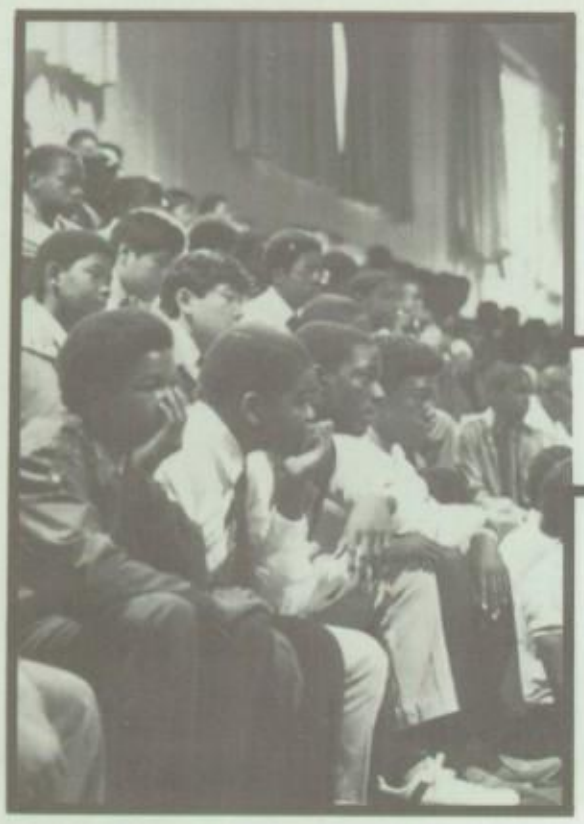
Princess Manuela Howard escorted by Eric Williams

Christian Dimensions

"Whoever does the will of my heavenly Father is Brother and Sister and Mother to me."



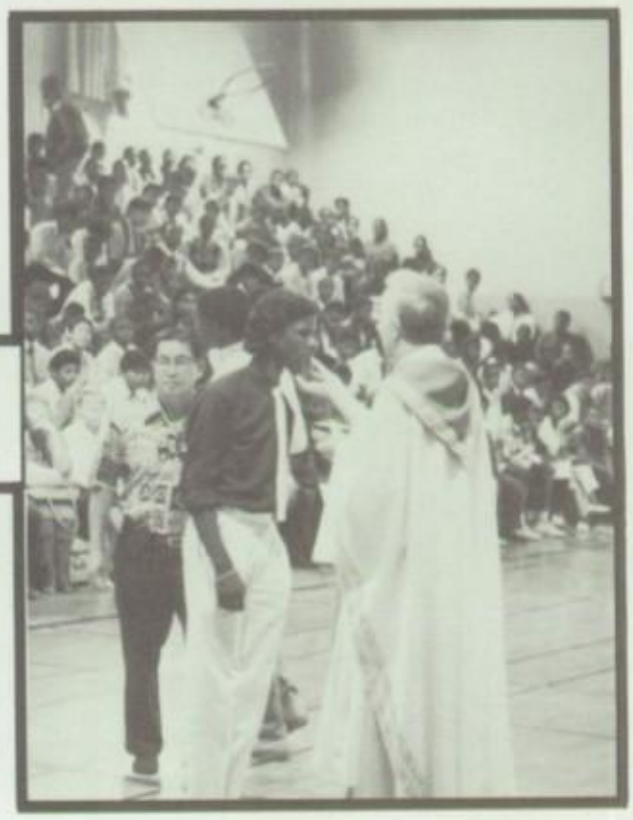
Without faith, the faith given to us by Christ, there is no reason for Serra High School to exist. Unlike public schools, where students learn for a whole variety of personal reasons, at Serra, students learn so they will better be able to serve their brothers and sisters, and in so doing serve their God. Indeed, the Gospel values of Jesus Christ are evident in everything that happens at Serra. Each class begins with a prayer. Religious services are held weekly. Every athlete pauses before each game and ask for God's help and protection. Every Serra student studies his faith daily in his Ethics class. Even discipline reflects our Christian Faith. Mr. Mitchell often asks students to evaluate their behavior in light of what Christ would expect. God is indeed present in the lives of all of his children at Serra High.



Attentive students during a mass.

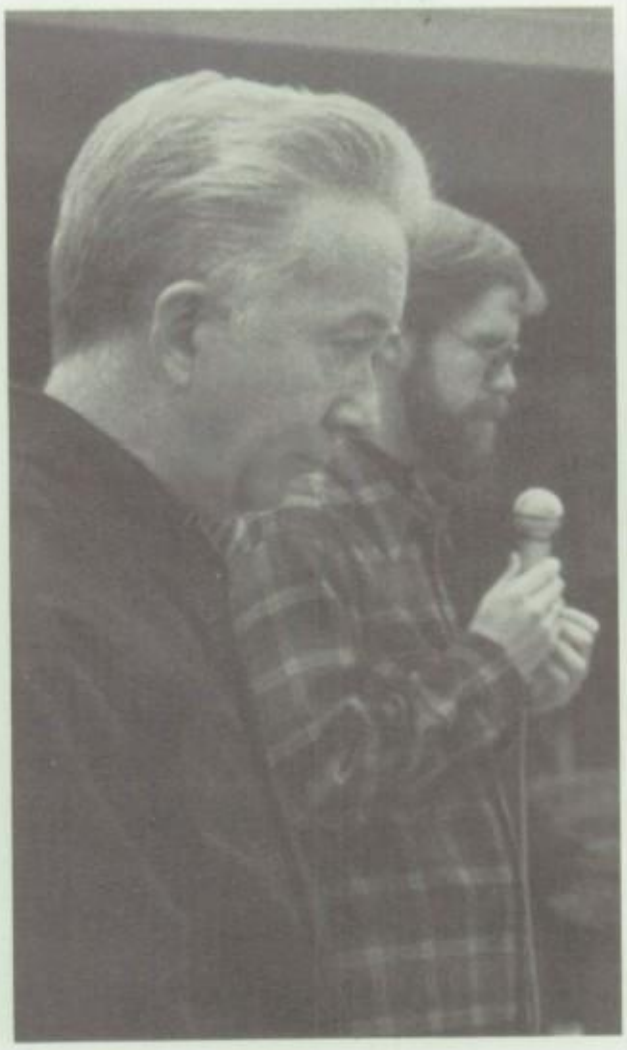
A student receives the body of Christ from Mr. Mitchell.

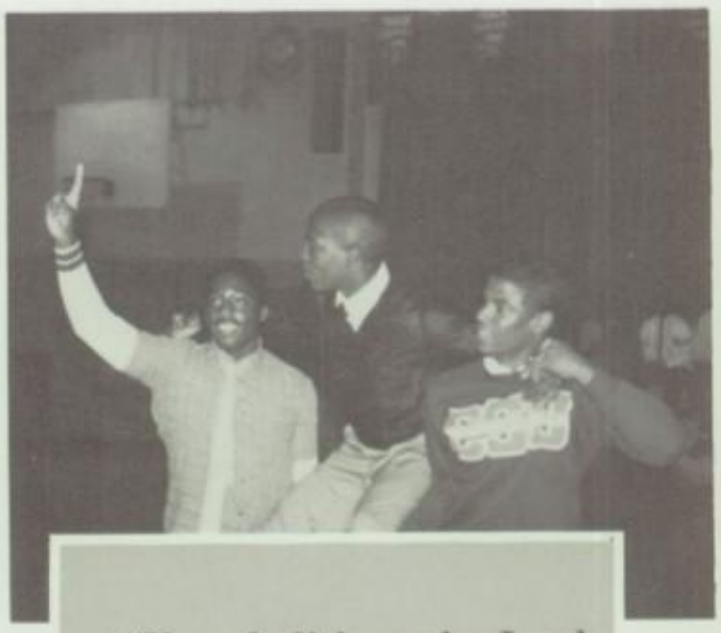
The Christian atmosphere, the constant quest for knowledge, and the family aspect at Serra are essentials that contribute to the closeness at Serra, making Serra a family as well as a school. This could be the answer to why so many people are now enrolling to attend Serra. Serra not only allows a student to learn from an excellent staff of qualified teachers, but enables the students to do so in a Christian atmosphere. This Christian atmosphere can be observed on campus, in the classrooms, and at the games. Yet, the atmosphere extends itself far beyond the boundaries of Serra High School. Serra also has organized programs, such as the Serra Search retreats, that enable students from other schools to share the closeness and Christian love that is shared by Serra Men.



Serra is a family composed of mature, disciplined, and Christian young men who desire to extend themselves for their school. Prayer is a major contributant to the atmosphere maintained at Serra; for Serra is a family composed of Christian men who are not ashamed to pray together, who wish to go the extra mile, just as Jesus Christ did. Just as the words of Christ say "Whenever two or three gather in my name, there will I be in their midst"; the students of Serra High School, through their growth in knowledge and Christian commitment, make evident that Christ is the foundation of Serra High.

Father Pat embraces a student during an after-mass celebration.





"You shall love the Lord
your God
with your whole heart,
with your whole soul,
and with all your mind."

Serra Life

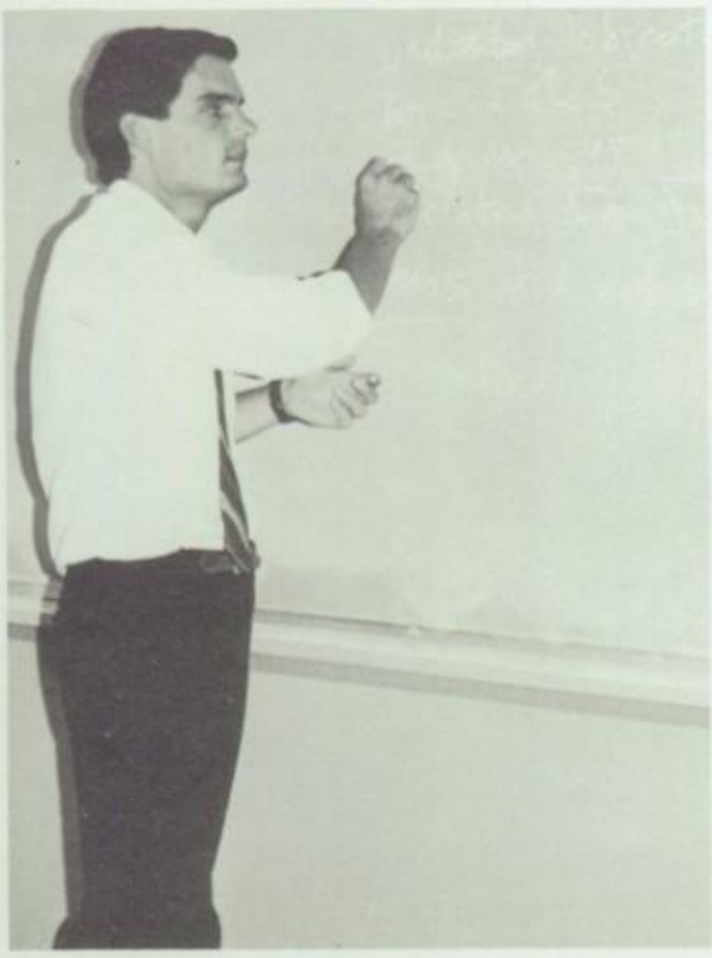
Serra isn't just books, teachers and students, but a blend of people who make up a caring family. Serra's uniqueness is clearly shown through the students brotherhood. At Serra, a family atmosphere pervades. The back stabbing, jealously and destructive rumors that ruin so many other high schools do not exist at Serra. Serra creates a family working together to create a better environment.

Fr. Mark and his two sons.

Is that Keith doing work?

What's Fr. Pat doing there?

As the senior looks back on his high school years at Serra, he looks back on the good times and the bad, the ups and the downs, the triumphs and the disasters. He remembers that his life at Serra was a special one. He will know that the 30-40 pages a night for Mitchell's English class will finally pay off. He will look back on all of his special friendships that will always be cherished. He will also cherish the friendships he has shared with the faculty. He can look back and say that those were some of the best years of his life.



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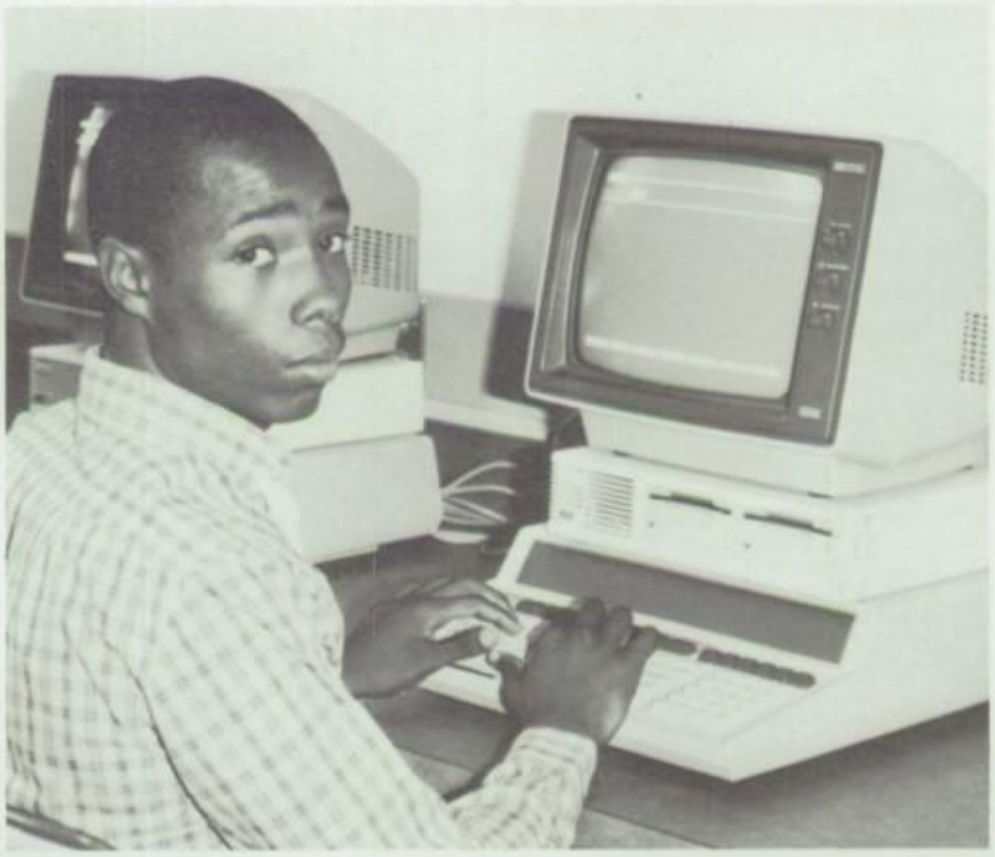
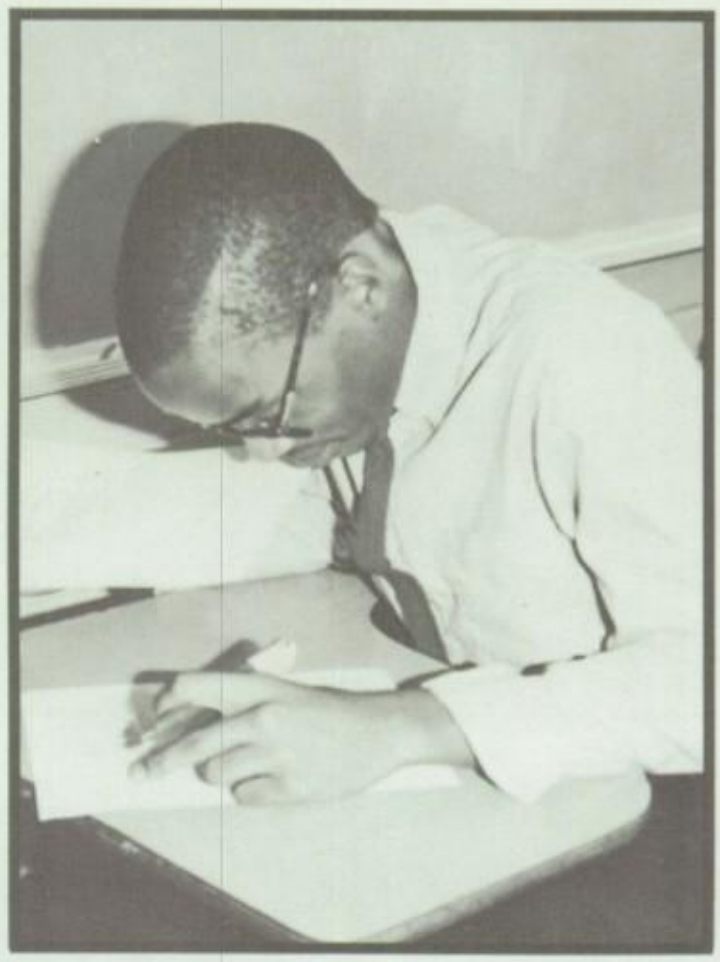
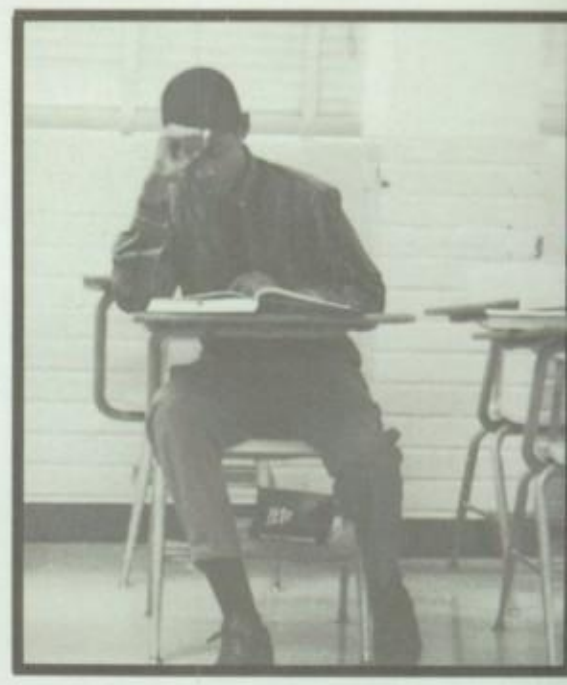


Get a job ?

"SERRA STYLE"

Serra Studies

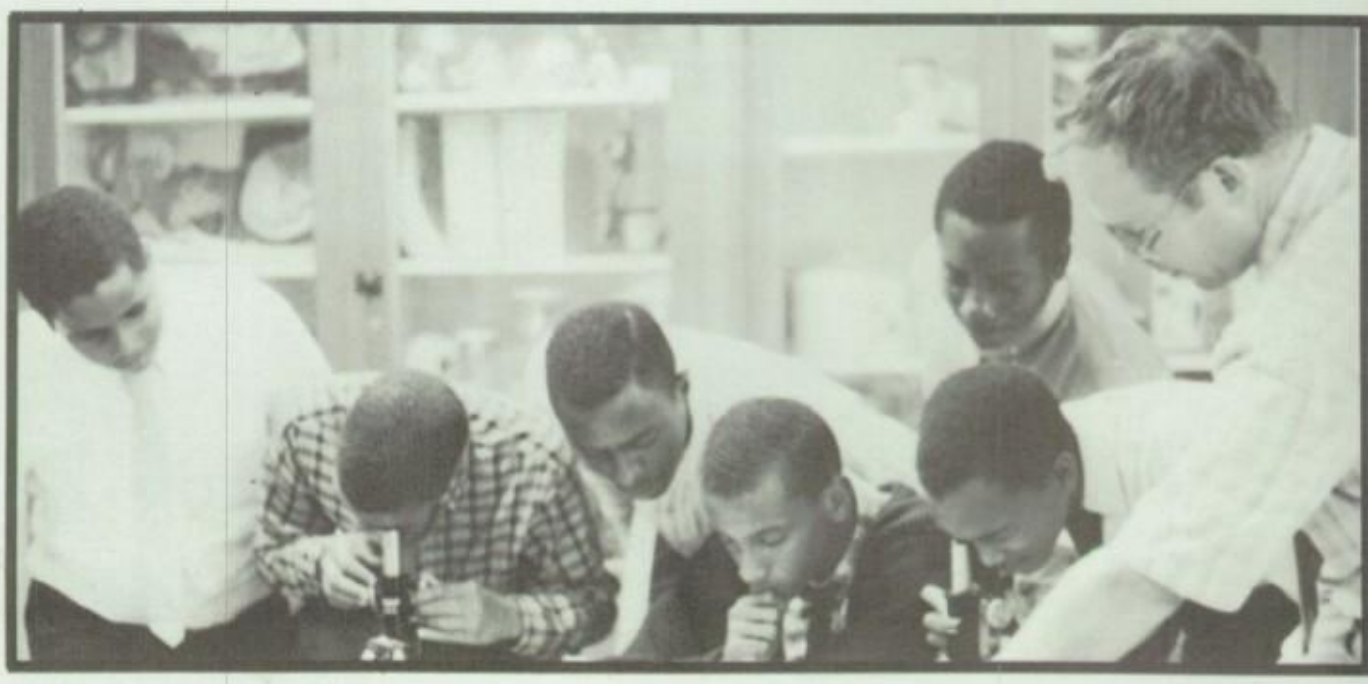




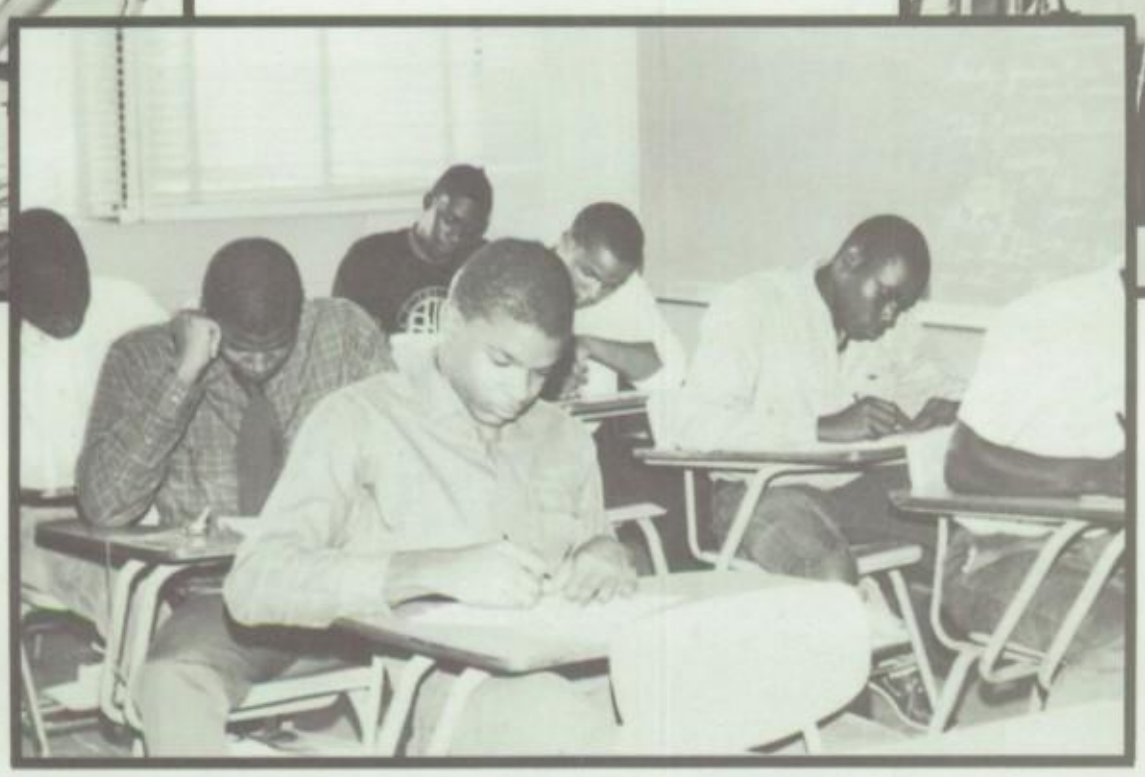
Serra High school is many things, but first it is a place of learning. At the heart of each students school day are his six classes, and for a Serra student this means six solids. The typical college bound senior starts his day with Ethics, encounters Physics and Calculus, studies Government and English, and rounds his day off with a foreign language. Given this rigorous academic schedule, school work is a constant preoccupation.

The successful student realizes early on that he has to enjoy learning in order to do well. The elusive "A" is never obtained by he who must be coerced into studying, the student who puts off assignments, or the one who depends on friends. You can easily distinguish between the deligent and the lax student. One can be found in the library, the other in the cafeteria joking with his friends. One can be seen carrying his books home, while the other discards his books in his locker. And at graduation, the one has the right to be proud, while the other ackwardly explains his future plans.

"Enlightenment Is It's Own Reward."



"What does it profit a man to gain the whole world if he should lose his soul?"



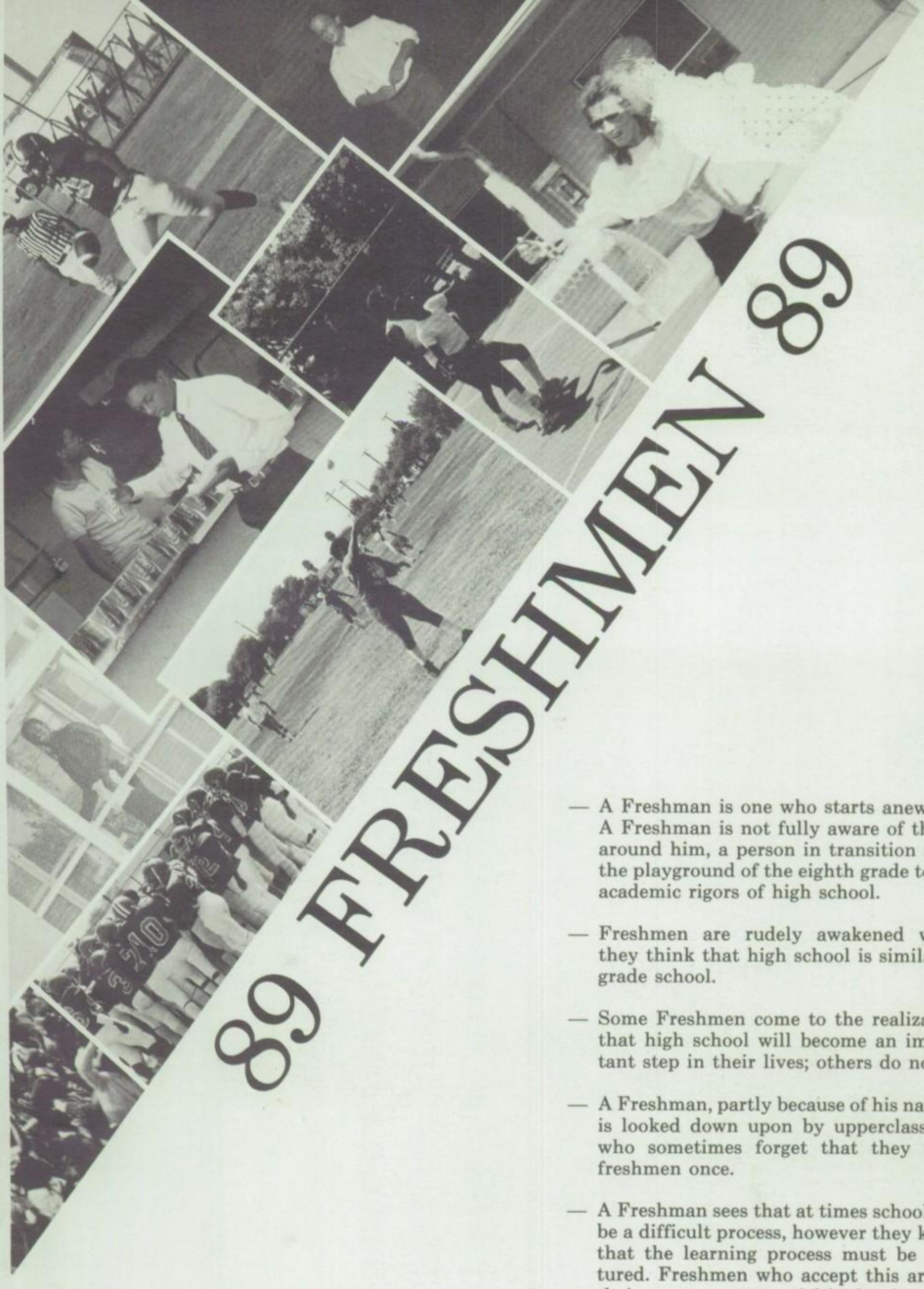
"The greatest manifestation of Evil is Ignorance."

With this realization, learning at Serra takes on religious significance. We are engaged in nothing less than denying Evil the tools of its trade. War, hatred, racism exist only because man fails to understand, fails to know oneanother. Given this reality, it is both saddening and sickening to think that Christian people are negligent in their effort to learn.

A cursory review of history validates the awesome power of collective ignorance. German ignorance spawned Adolf Hitler. Cambodian ignorance blindly accepted Pol Pot. Is not ignorance the real culprit in South Africa? Nonetheless, the libraries collect dust, while Americans wear out their T.V.'s daily.

More than any other component, the PEOPLE of Serra make the difference. Take away the Computer Lab, the beautiful facilities, the gymnasium, and you still are left with Serra High School. In this respect Serra is much like the prophet Job, for what was essential to Job - his devotion, his faith, his trust, existed within himself. And so also with Serra. The openness, friendliness, sense of humor, dedication, comradeship, discipline, patience, perseverance ... these are but some of the internal qualities that define the genuine Serra man.

Therefore, it must be said that everyone who attends Serra is not *of* Serra. Those who refuse the Gospel call of Christ may attend Serra, but they are not Serra men. Those who support teams only when they win never find themselves at home at Serra. Yet, what remains so remarkable is that there are so few who don't fit in. Then again, it really should not be surprising- people naturally want the best.



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— A Freshman is one who starts anew. A Freshman is not fully aware of things around him, a person in transition from the playground of the eighth grade to the academic rigors of high school.

— Freshmen are rudely awakened when they think that high school is similar to grade school.

— Some Freshmen come to the realization that high school will become an important step in their lives; others do not.

— A Freshman, partly because of his nature, is looked down upon by upperclassmen who sometimes forget that they were freshmen once.

— A Freshman sees that at times school can be a difficult process, however they know that the learning process must be nurtured. Freshmen who accept this are on their way to a successful high school career.

Michael Adkins

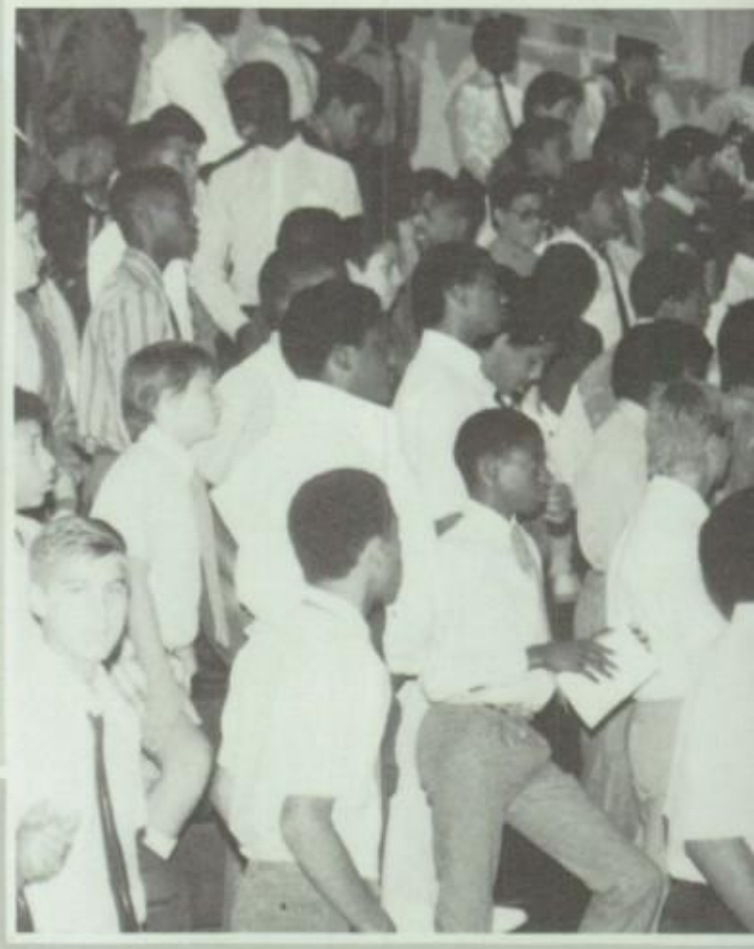
Marc Akin

Richard Arnold

Glen Baham

What Is A Freshman?

A Freshman is ... Losing Books ... Running to the Cafeteria ... Getting into fights ... Talking In Class ... Playing in the halls ... Forgetting Lunch Money ... Being A Nonstrip ... Walking Across the Senior Walk ... Having A Messy Locker ...



Freshman enjoying as assembly

Richard Bailey

Kenneth Baker

Reginald Ballard

Joseph Barnes

Jean Batups

Ernie Bautista

Eric Bello

Derrick Berry

Knowing who we are as individuals earns us the right to be respected by others.—Mark Morrell

Duane Blanks

Phillip Bonilla

Curtis Bray

Rhoderick Britt

Mikel Brooks

Deosick Burney

Michael Bush

Lamont Butler

Erik Carpenter

Galen Carr

Michael Carr

Chris Carter

Changes

Last year, each freshman was B.M.O.C. this year, back to underdog status.

Last year, freshmen saw themselves as mature. This year, they became painfully aware of their youth.

Last year, grades only mattered to your parents. This year, your grades affected whether you played sports, what classes you could take, if you got to drive, and ultimately whether or not you are college bound.

Louis Castenada

Raymond Cham

Anthony Chambers

Steve Chillous

Royce Cobb

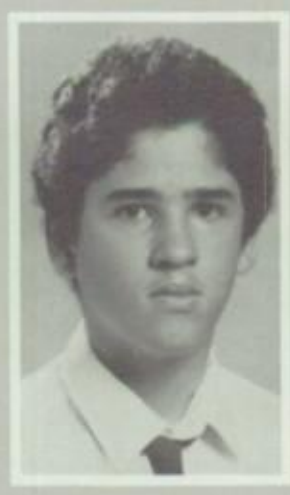
A man who can't see the beauty of the world has been blinded by the sight of himself. - Derrick Gouthier

Derrick Cotton

Virgil Covington

Corey Crofton

Briane Crosson



Chas Darensbourgh

Darwin Givens

Marc Davis

Knowledge is like a weapon, when used it's powerful, but when stored it's powerless. John Jackson

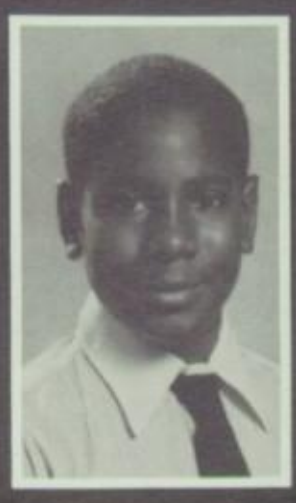
Marcus Dean

Raul Diaz

Joseph Edwards

Gary Ellis

Torrus Ellis



Darrin Elzie

Juan Esparza

Jose Felix

Charles Flannagan

A freshman soon realizes that there are three types of upperclassmen: those who like him, those who don't like him, and those who don't know who he is. Some freshmen try to be liked by playing around, but that gets them noticed, not liked. Eventually they come to understand that the way to be liked is to be known for their studies, not their playing.

Patrick Former

Frank Jolley

Rayfus Fuller

Kurt Fuller

Hugo Gallo

James Gamble

Tellis Gardner

Reggie Gay

Lorenzo Gilbert

When understanding replaces ignorance, peace will replace war. — CJM

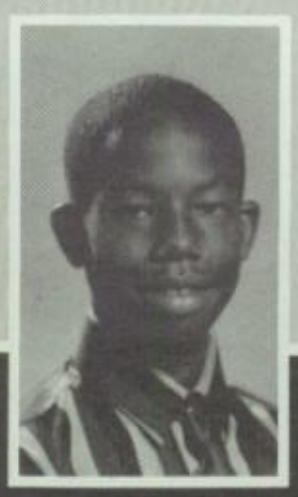
Pedro Gonzales

Michael Graham

Khieem Gray

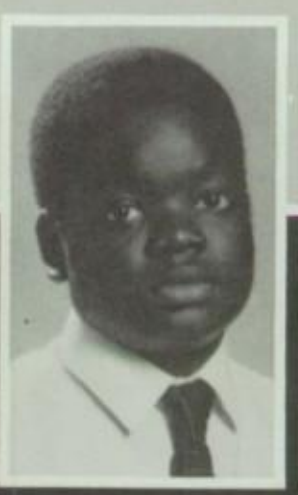
Shawn Gray

James Gunsalus



Travis Gustave

Robert Hall



Kareeb Harbin

Theron Harange

Kevin Harris

Robert Haskin

Flozell Hays

Jeffry Hazelitt

Eric Hennessee

There's not enough time in the world for love, so why is there enough time for hate?- Harlan Gaulden

Len Hilacion

Shelton Hill

Lamar Hill

Do not be sorry for what you do not have, rather be sorry for what you have and do not use. — Wilton Baham

Togetherness!!

Terence Hunt

Chad Irving

Troy Jarrett

Eric Jenkins

Pierre Johnson

William Johnson

Frank Jolley

It is a time of transition for a freshman. He is going from the carefree attitude of eighth grade to a mature attitude appropriate for high school. Some will make it the first year and some will make it later, while some won't make it at all.

Christopher Jones

Richard Jones

Kareeb Harbin

Kevin Kay

Mario King

Derrick Knighton

Barron La Fear

Neville Lenard

Kevin Lewis

Aaron Lipps

Sean Lloyd

Brian Madere

Makinano Lance

Brian Manyweather

Ravi Mazi

Baraka McCraw

Chris McGee

Carlos McHenry

Burdened with playfulness, excessive talking and lack of maturity, a freshman feels out in the cold. He wants more than anything to be accepted by his peers but in order for this to happen he must grow.

Otha McKinney

Joseph Mercier

Raymond Mikael

The man that travels the road of truth is faced with many obstacles, yet at the end of his journey he will arrive at fulfillment — Glen Shanklin

Harold Mitchell

Kule Mkhize

Gamal Nask

Corey Norflin

Christopher Pack

Devon Parks

Arturo Patino

The growing process can be a long and difficult one for the freshman if they do not learn how to shy away from their childish behavior and be responsible for their actions. Those who accept this responsibility are on their way to a successful high school career.

Gregory Patrick

Paul Perello

Jeffery Phillips

George Plancarte

Henry Porter

Lindsey Porter

Curtis Portley

Ceasar Rachal

Keilyn Randle

Courage is not the absence of fear it is taking action in spite of fear.—Anonymous

Kevin Rhodes

Michael Riddick

Craig Riedel

John Rivers

Shelton Schurlock

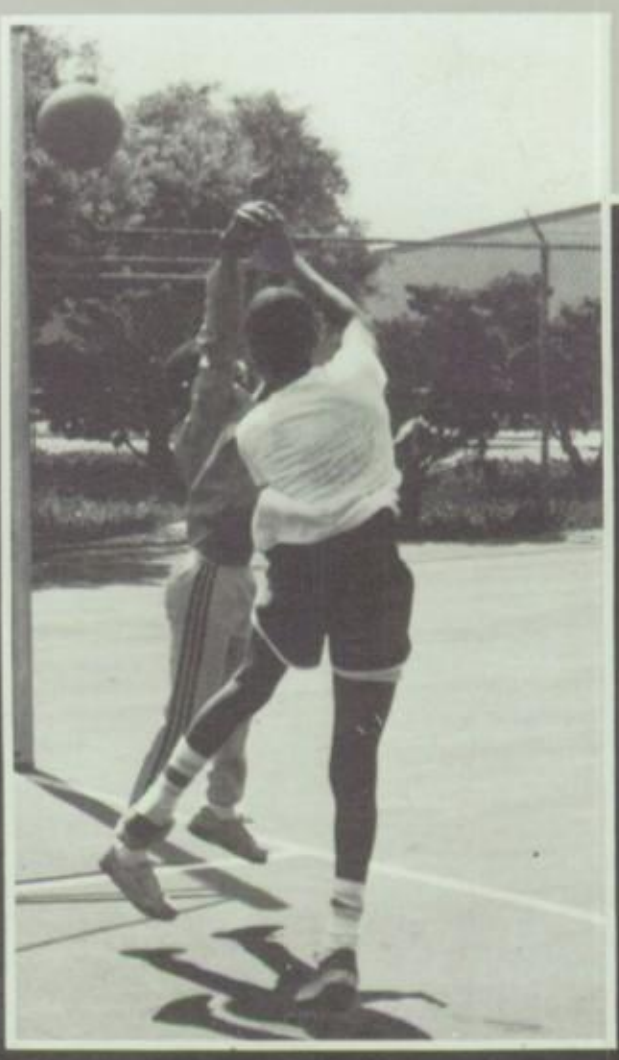
David Roberts

Kevin Roberts

Bryan Robinson

Hector Ruiz

Charlie Rushing



Robert Salmon

Benjamin Sanchez

Jorge Sanchez

Jason Sandoval

Kenneth Scott

Vaughn Shanklin

Erik Simien

Brian Smith

Ross Smith

Anthony Somerville

Thomas Steele

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Fred Sturdivant

Torreahno Sweet

Kirk Thierry

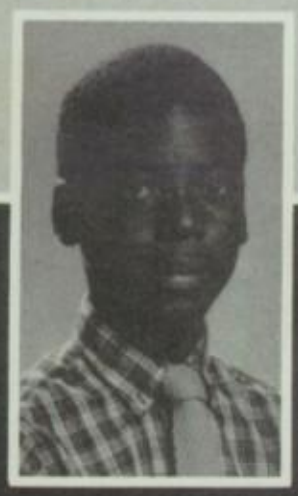
Anthony Thomas

Michael Thomas

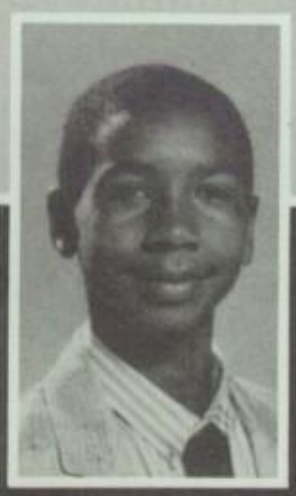
Look at that form!

Patrick Thomas

Andrel Thurman

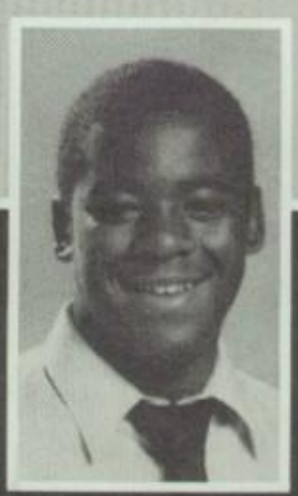


Donavan Turner



Shawn Turner

Oscar Vergara



Oscar Vessel

Steven Wade

John Warr

Cedric Weaver

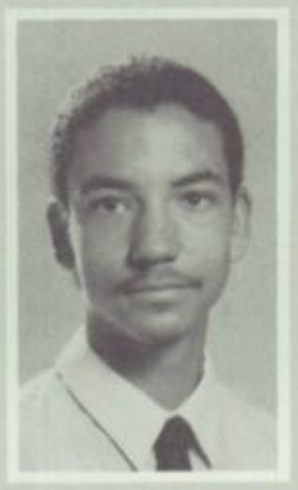
Edgar Weicks

Freshmen bring pure, unbridled energy to Serra. The haggard look of freshmen teachers attest to their livley nature. Yet, beneath all the playfulnesss are individuals who are struggling to define themselves who in rare moments give evidence of what is to come. And least we forget, in four short years, Serra reputation will rest on the stature and achievements of our current freshmen.

Cordell Welch

David Weldon

Aaron West



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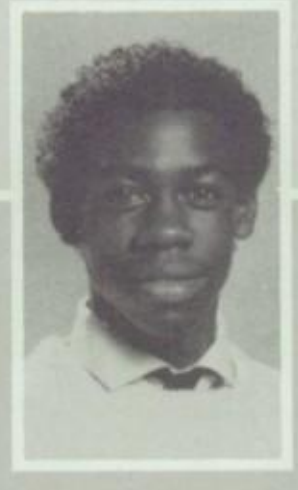
Jeron Williams



Michael Williams

Troy Williams

In no time at all a freshman realizes that to be a true "Serra Man" you need more than just grades. Once a freshman realizes this, he starts to try harder and grows. He grows not only intellectually but emotionally and spiritually as well. It is this he must do to become a true part of Serra.

Edward Wirt

Sam Wolfe

Darrion Wright

Down Boy!

Corey Wright

Pablo Ybarra

Fred Scott

Erick Young

Derez Ysaguirre

Accomplishments are never given, they are earned—Norman Hearon

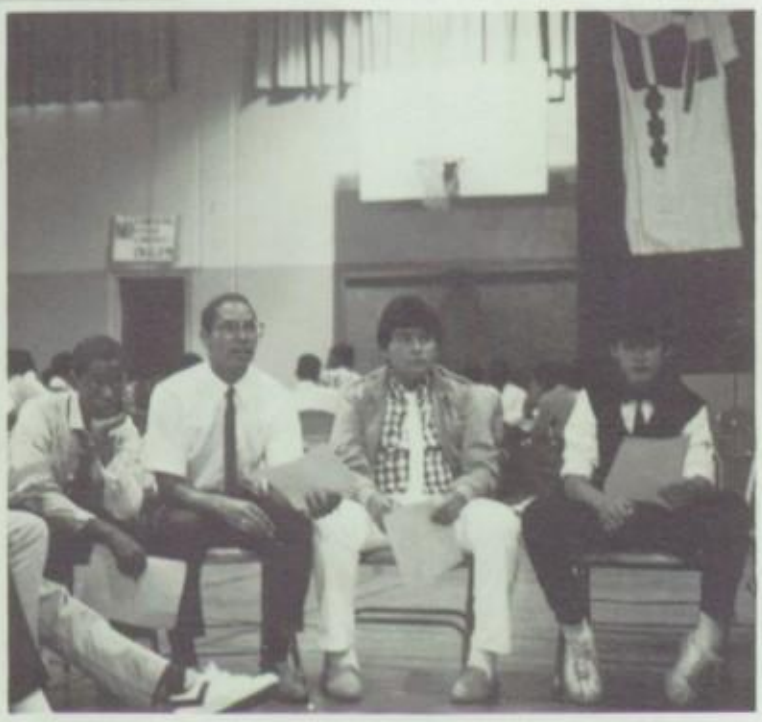
Who's that with no shirt?

Freshman Welcome Week

The Best Argument For Not Going Coed

Terence LeDoux shows he's the big man on the court.

Charles Brown's last hope for a potential prom date.



Brian Cooper leading his group as the Freshman-Senior Retreat.

At Serra there are many traditions. Most influential of all the traditions is Freshman Welcome Week. Freshman Welcome Week is a time when a senior formally invites a freshmen into the Serra Family. Freshman Welcome Week is not just a time for fun "n" games, but primarily a time for seriousness. During Freshman Welcome Week, the senior plays the important role of making freshmen comfortable, and more familiar with life at Serra. In the past Freshmen Welcome Week was beneficial to the Seniors, but this year Freshman Welcome Week is more beneficial to the Freshman. This is a difference worth remembering.

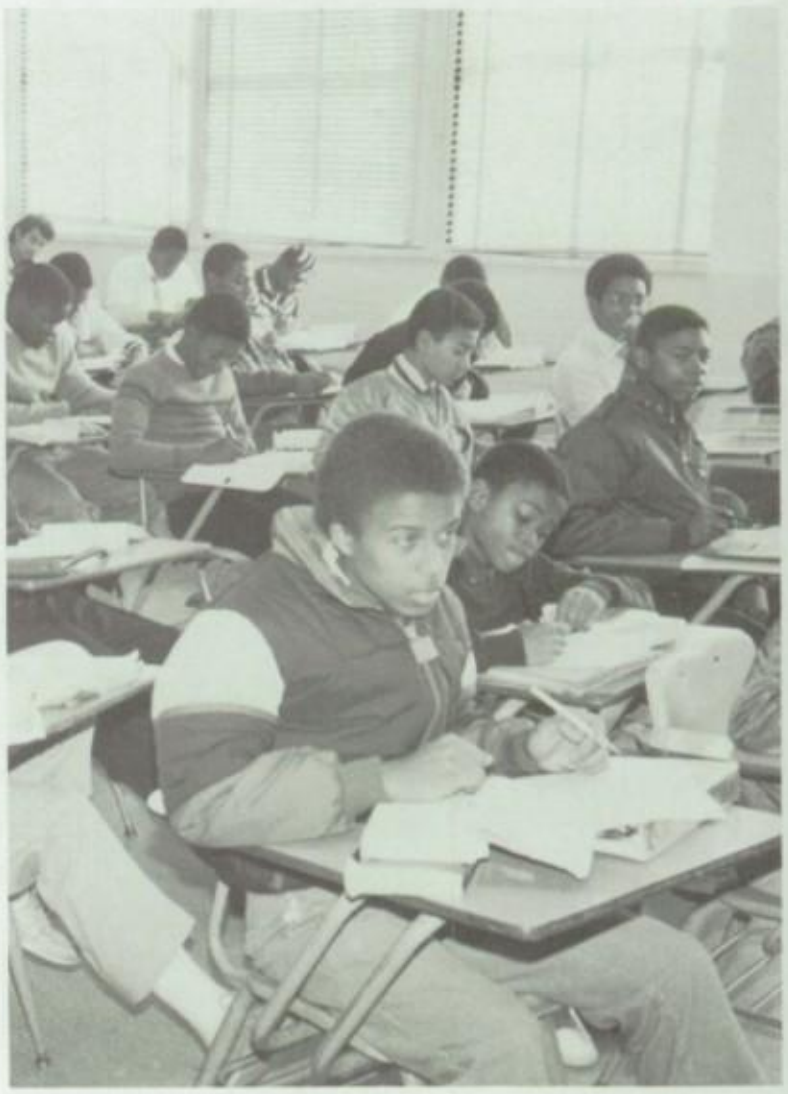
Raymond Vergara and Eric Hennessee try to foster the nonchalant image.

Freshman Academics

Serra students James Gonzales and Harold Mitchell enjoy class

Serra students diligently working.

The freshman-Serra's present and future. The freshmen are Serra's biggest class and thus have the greatest opportunity to contribute. The freshman year is one of shaping, nurturing. Officially, Freshman Welcome Week is the start of this nurturing process. However, the most prominent force in the life of the Serra freshman is his teacher. In the English department, we have Bro. Charles Boglitz and Dr. Bunker. Bro. Charles has been at Serra for over 25 years and yet still finds time to chat with anyone who wishes to. Dr. Bunker is in charge of Serra's reading lab, and does an excellent job. In the math department, we have Joann Kennelly and James Crowell, both of whom have become synonymous with Serra. Teaching P.E., Introductory Physical Science, we have George McDaniel. Peter Feeney is in charge of the spiritual lives of the freshmen. Mr. Feeney's age allows him to be a brother to his students as well as a teacher. And last but not least, we have Greg Ruel, teaching Physical Education. Mr. Ruel is an excellent teacher and a welcome addition to the Serra family.



Freshmen ponder a difficult point.

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By the time a student is in his sophomore year, he has realized what it is like to be a high school student. Yet, even though a sophomore knows what high school is like, that does not mean he has adapted to it. The sophomore year is a time of memories. Who could forget Brother Urban's trip to Europe. Who still wonders what genetic ingenuity brought about Mr. McDaniel, or even the energy of Mr. Larranaga. Although a sophomore knows he musn't play he has trouble stopping. For a sophomore is not quite here, but he is improving. He begins to realize that he must now work hard at home as well as school. To a sophomore, high school is no longer a strange new world, but a familiar territory.

It is in this familiar territory that a sophomore must face challenges new to him, challenges he did not experience as a freshman. As a freshman, he was able to rest upon the restful shoulders of his teachers and was able to use the excuse "I'm new", for anything that he did wrong. No longer. Teachers are more demanding. Mr. Mitchell is far less patient as he expects an emerging man, rather than a silly child. Even parents put pressure on us to "get it together". Grades that were acceptable now bring sermons on the need to excell- that "satisfactory" is not enough. Perhaps the pressure sophomores feel is a foretaste of adulthood. Many are reluctant to give up the carefree life for one filled with responsibility. Yet if we don't make the choice, it will be made for us.

Richard Aubery

Denver Ball

Paul Beaman

A Sophomore has under his belt a year's experience of high school. He has been through the struggle of the first year blues: forgetting the number that unlocks his hall and gym lockers, his lunch money, bus fare, and the unforgettable time he walked across the Senior Walk.

School becomes a real intruder. Fifteen minutes between T.V. programs no longer produces passing grades. The whole image of who is "in" undergoes a change. The bully who engaged real status in Jr. High is exposed for what he is; and discarded. Sophistication, intelligence, potential, discipline, are the qualities that are sought after. With each passing day, manhood emerges.

Christopher Beard

Luther Bernard

Gerald Boagni

Robert Boyd

De Jon Boutte

Earl Bowen

Stanley Bragg

Sophomores hard at work?

Sean Brown

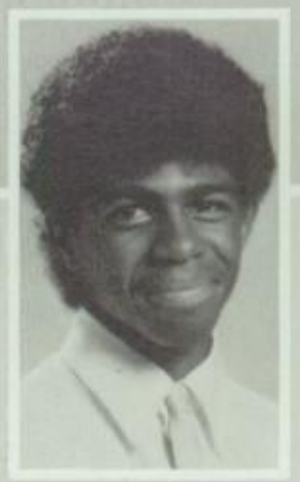
Fletcher Buford

Byron Burnaugh

Luis Calderon

Michael Cantrell

Brian Capers



Deon Clay

Dave Coffey

John Crocker

Reginald Crockett

Monty Crumble

Patrick Daugherty

Mark Davis

Rodney Davis

Christopher Aldridge

Vilas Atkins

Jamaine Bailey

Davis Burton

Rumar Brown

Derrick Burnley

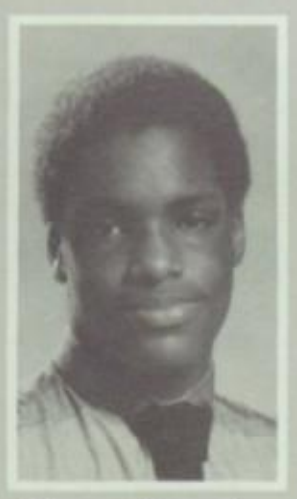
De Jon Charles

Charley Cox

Steven Danzy

Raymond Doty

Dubyron Edwards


Wayne Edwards

Demek Emmons

Kenneth Reed is known as a friendly young man with a giant heart. Whenever one views Kenneth, he always greets you with a warm smile while never seeming too busy to say "Hi." His leadership qualities are an added dimension to the sophomore class. He carries these leadership qualities on the football field as well as off the field. Kenneth was a member of the Frosh-Soph Football Team until a mid-season knee injury forced him to forfeit the rest of the season. Yet, instead of going home after school he still attended study hall as well as practice. He gave the team moral support. Kenneth also dedicated himself equally to his studies, as exemplified in his constant achievement of Honor Roll status. As one can see, Kenneth distributes his talents in many areas.

Brian Epps

Deon Figures

Keith Fountain

Lamont Franklin

Errol Fuller

Eric Gray

Terrance Green

Ronald Harang

Sedric Harding

Enrique Harper

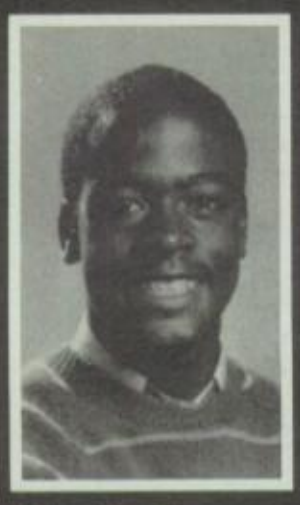
Although a sophomore is no longer a freshman, he sometimes finds it hard to let go of some of his old habits such as: playing in the hallways, hiding fellow classmates' books, etc.

Louis Harris

Willie Harris

The Sophomore year can be summed up in one word — transition. As a Sophomore, the Serra man finds himself on the second step of his journey between the joyous shock of the Freshman year and the relief of graduation. The Sophomore year is one of conditioning, finding what Serra is really about. He begins to overcome the initial nervousness and his first impressions of Serra begin to fade. As a result, he allows himself to get comfortable with the routine and becomes more involved in the core of Serra High.

David Harvey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Michael Hogan

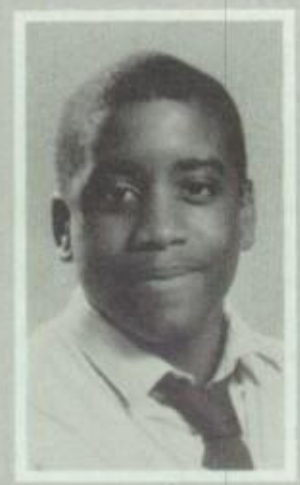
Lazarrian Hope

Jeffrey Howard

Regis Inge

Anthony Jackson

Carnel Jackson


Dante Jackson

Trent Jackson

Darnel Jenkins

Dusharkey Johnson

Eric Johnson

Hasen Johnson

Malik Johnson

William Johnson

La Ron Jones

Steven Jones

Rueben Jonson

Ryan Knight

Maurice Lackey

William Lackey

Lysander Lacy

Demaurier Lewis

Kermit Mallet

Chad Matthews

The sophomore will now experience the academic rigors of high school. He will envision Bro. Urban's trip to Europe, Mr. Larrangua's expressive use of the English language, Mr. Crowell's lab experiments, the supplementary angle's of Geometry, the many bible passage's of Ethics, as well as the writing of compositions and the reading of many books. This will be the year in which he will establish himself academically, physically, and spiritually.

Chameron Matthews

Brian McAlpin

Derrick McGee

Jeffery McOwens

Daniel Merced

Thearon Mister

Johnny Mitchell

Mark Mitchell

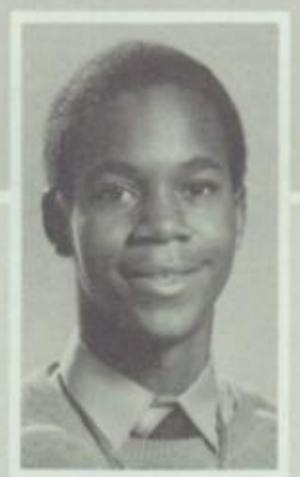
Pumi Mkhize

Sean Molina

Reginald Morehead

Louis Harris- One who would meet Louis for the first time would observe him as a quiet individual. Yet, if you look in the stands during Basketball Season you'd see Louis cheering and rooting on the team. Louis is not merely a spectator, for during track season he's on the team bringing home victories for the Serra Family. Louis doesn't contribute to the Serra Family only in athletics, he contribute academically, as exemplified by his 4.0 g.p.a. in his freshman year. To his class he is Homeroom President, and helped build the floats during Homecoming Week. Louis has contributed his time for the benefit of our school. Louis is striving to be the best he can be.

James Moses



Phillip Moses

Kyler Nathan

Terry Newman

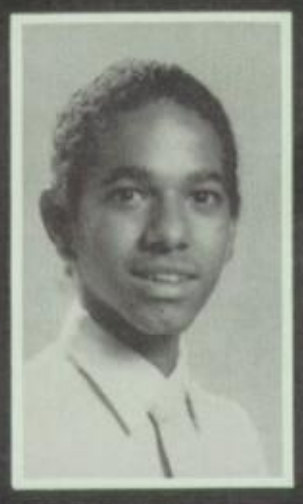
Marvin Owens

Emile Palacio

Kenric Parker

Damon Patterson

Ahmad Powell



Christopher Ramirez

Jemel Ray

Kenneth Reed

Keilan Reese

Deion Reid

Eddie Rich

Erin Richardson

Terrence Roberson

Harold Rogers

Terry Roussel

Daniel Sanchez

Aaron Santinac

Alexander Scott

Wayne Williams is a Serra Man, for he not only achieves academic success, but he also plays basketball and participates in other extra-curricular activities. He has a blend of seriousness and playfullness that makes him a well rounded individual. His Christian attitude exemplifies the Serra Man.

Gerald Scott

Charles Smith

Marc Smith

Steven Stevenson

Andre Stull

Marlin Thomas

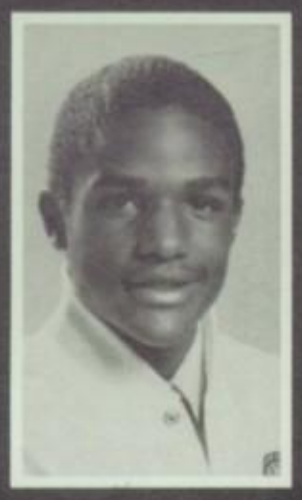
Sophomores at Serra are becoming men. Not only are their physical characteristics changing but their attitude toward life is changing. They are beginning to see things through an adult's eye. They now know that immaturity is a thing of the past.

Rickey Thomas

Rona Thompson

Brandon Thrasher

Keith Tieuel



Donnel Tyars

Tyrone Vickers

David Villegas

Darryl Wallace

Gregory Williams

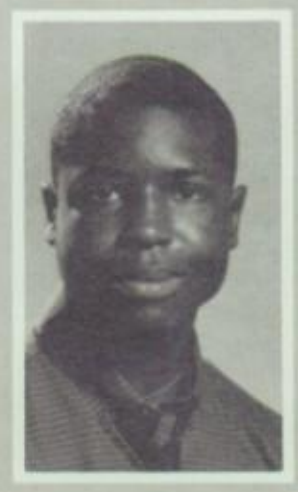
Omar Williams

Chris Aldridge is one of the growing men of Serra. "Happy Troll," as he is affectionately known by his buddies, exhibits this happy go lucky attitude which makes him a well loved member of the Serra family. Chris however, leaves his nice attitude behind when he steps onto the baseball field. Last year as an All-League performer, Chris proved to be a vital part of the baseball program. Young men such as Chris are pivotal in Serra's future.

Now maturing, the Sophomore class knows what it takes to make it in high school. They realize that challenges await them, and that with each new responsibility comes the chance to succeed or fail.

Roderick Williams

Vincent Williams



Brian Wilson

Omar Wilson

Hey!

Omar Wimsatt

Cecil Wright

Fernando Wright

Wayne Williams

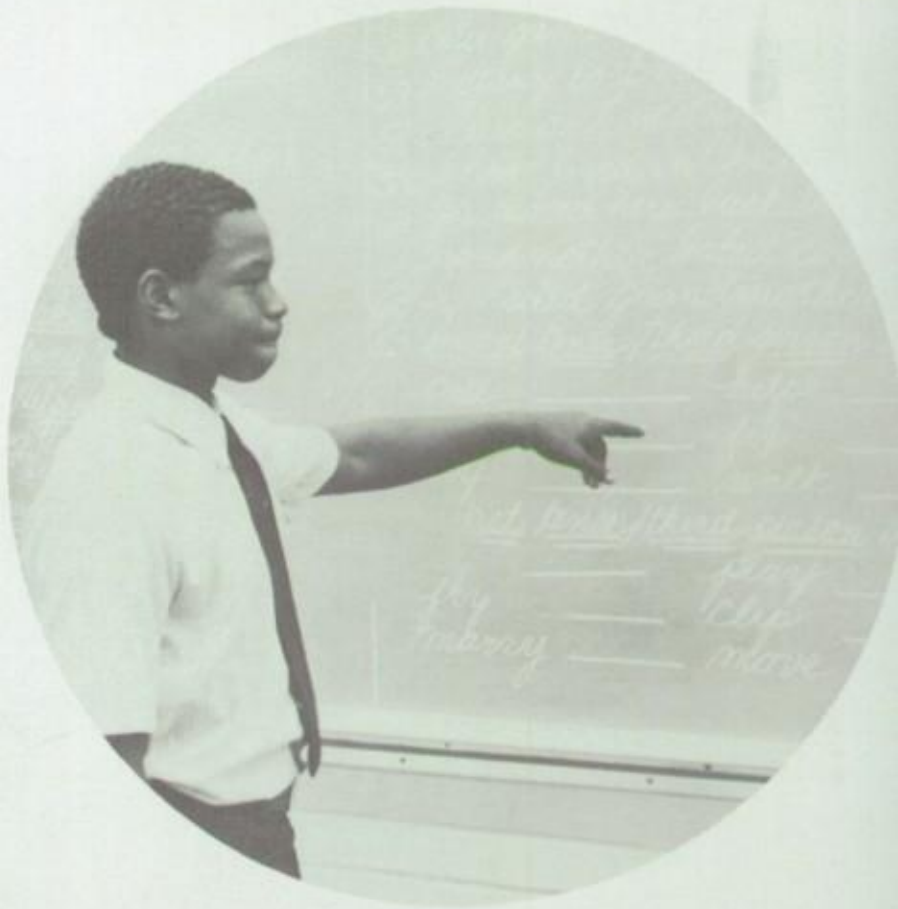
Deon Figures - a star in the making

Omar Wilson studies for a test.

The Sophomore year can be summed up in one word — transition. The Sophomore year is the first step into the real world. It is a cherished time, for soon the joy which they experience will be only a memory. The Sophomore year is the second step on the journey between the shock of the Freshman, and the relief of graduation; it is for many their first exposure to the truth of life. During the Sophomore year, the Serra man's initial impressions of Serra begin to fade, and are replaced by ones which are more realistic. It is during the Sophomore year that most Serra men become involved in the core of Serra High School.

Sophomore Academics

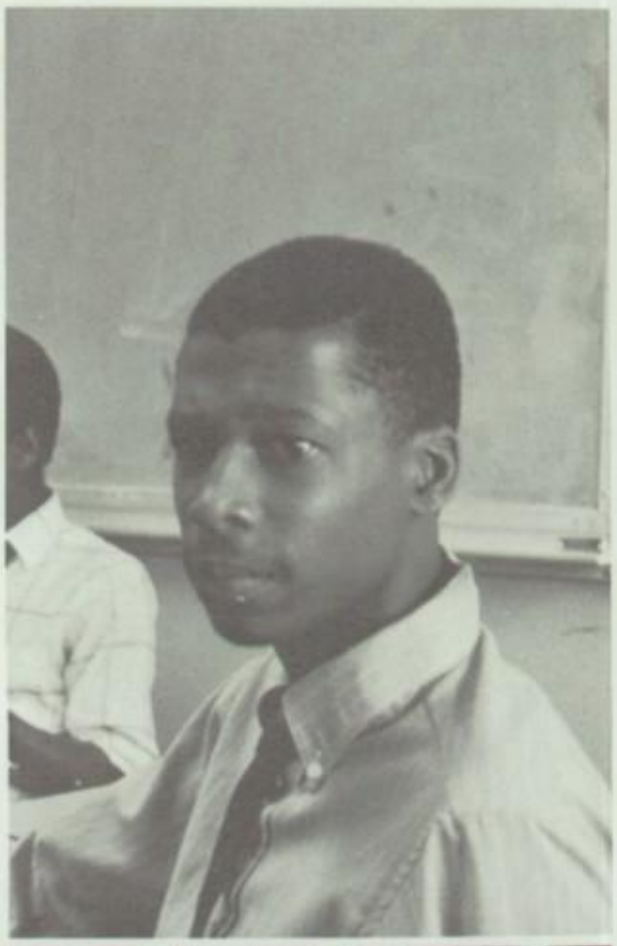
Donnell Tyars Checks out his microscope.



Sean Brown instructs his English class.

Steven Stephenson recieves instruction from Mr. Crowell.

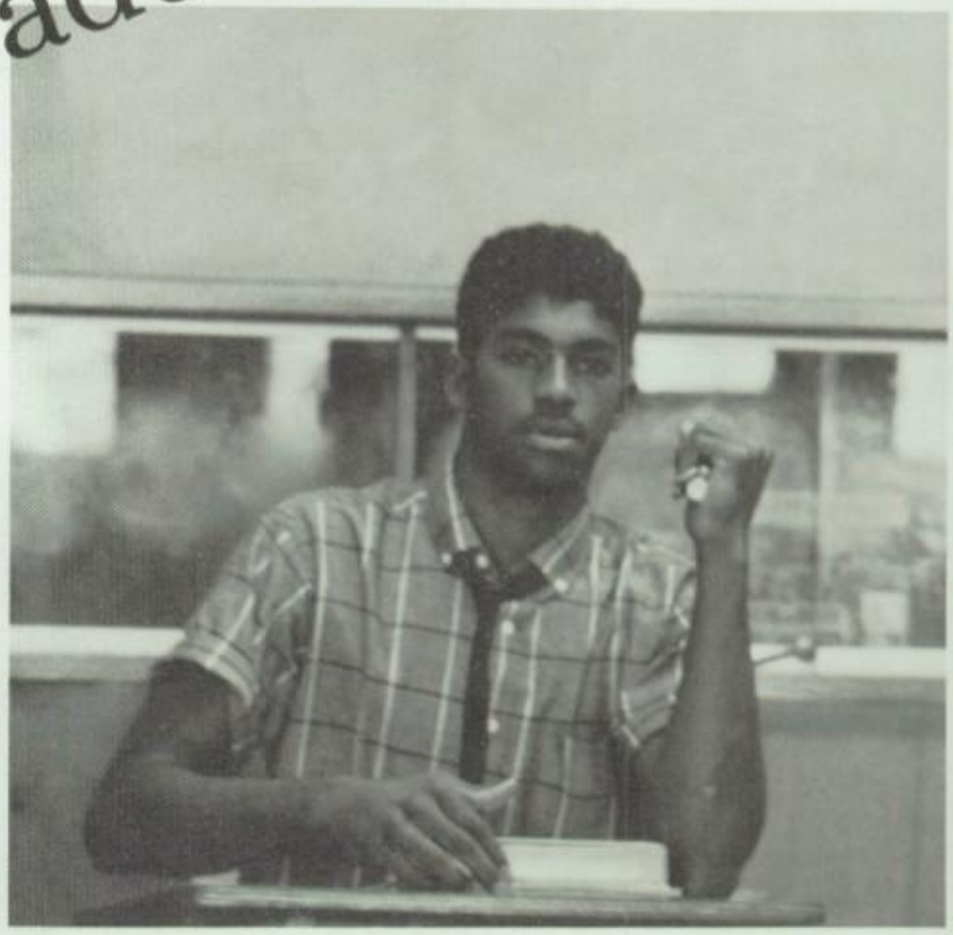
And The Beat Goes On . . . . . .



Junior Academics

Juniors study in the library.

The Junior year is basically the year of reckoning, the moment of truth. In your Junior year, you can no longer say, "I am still getting used to the routine." It is the last year to lift your G.P.A., a time for the PSAT/NMSQT test, student council elections, and for many Serra students, their first retreat. In the Junior year, you are one step closer to college, and you tend to get excited, perhaps even a little nervous.



Derrick Gouthier listens intently in class.

Harlan Gaulden attempts to solve his Algebra.

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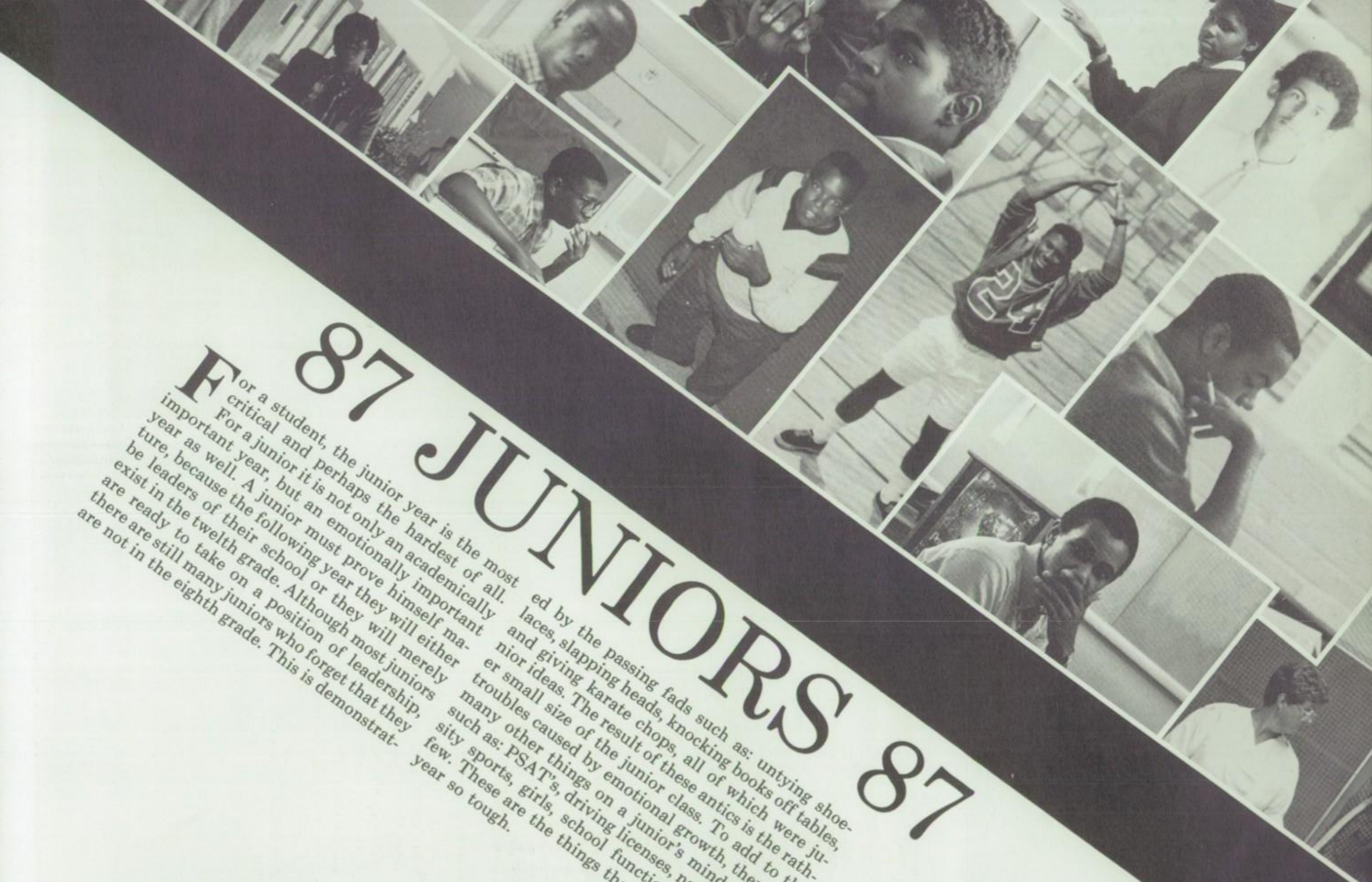
For a student, the junior year is the most critical and perhaps the hardest of all. For a junior it is not only an academically important year, but an emotionally important year as well. A junior must prove himself mature, because the following year they will either be leaders of their school or they will merely exist in the twelfth grade. Although most juniors are ready to take on a position of leadership, there are still many juniors who forget that they are not in the eighth grade. This is demonstrated by the passing fads such as: untying shoelaces, slapping heads, knocking books off tables, and giving karate chops, all of which were junior ideas. The result of these antics is the rather small size of the junior class. To add to the troubles caused by emotional growth, there are many other things on a junior's mind. Things such as: PSAT's, driving licenses, new cars, varsity sports, girls, school functions, to name a few. These are the things that make the junior year so tough.

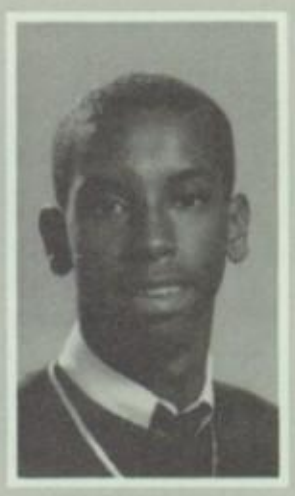


Wilbur Abron

Edward Andrews

Emmanuel Armstrong

Wilton Baham



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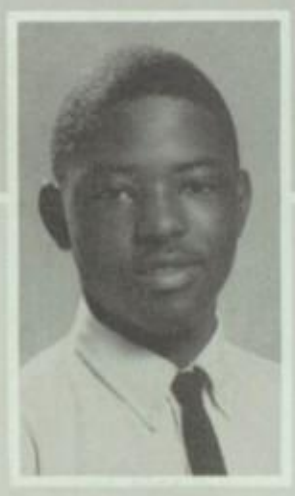
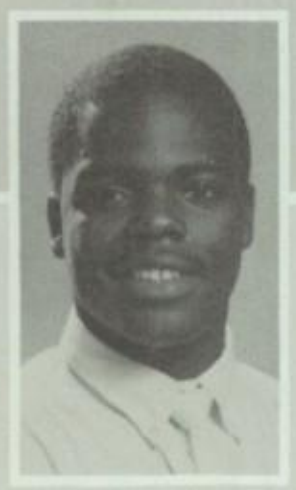
Armando Barajas



Corey Booker



Edward Boynton

Greg Torres- One person who goes unnoticed in the Junior Class is Greg Torres. This is partly due to his shyness, but if you get to know Greg you will see that beneath this shyness there is a friendly personality that gives unselfishly. Greg serves as President of his homeroom and is a varsity basketball manager. Greg distinguishes himself by his presence on the track team and more importantly in the classroom, where his high grade point average is evident.

Willie Brooks

Kevin Brown

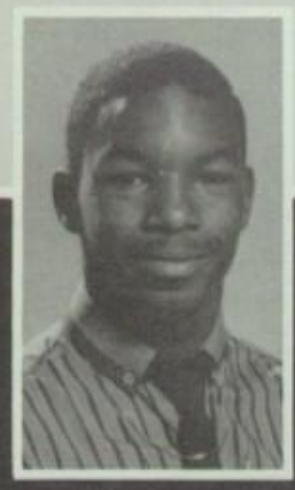
The junior year is the time that a student must choose his path. Will he be a participant or merely watch? A student must prepare himself to become a senior. As a junior he will have to prepare himself to be a leader in the senior class. There are three common paths chosen by students. Some will choose to do nothing but be a body, some will make an attempt to come to activities happen, while those who choose the third path are those who make a high school.

Rodrick Brown

Jude Cameron

Edward Carpenter

Reginald Casey



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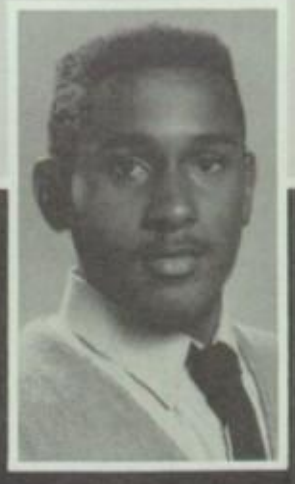
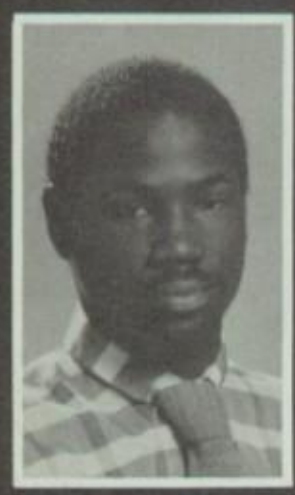
Mark Collins

Larshelby Dantzler



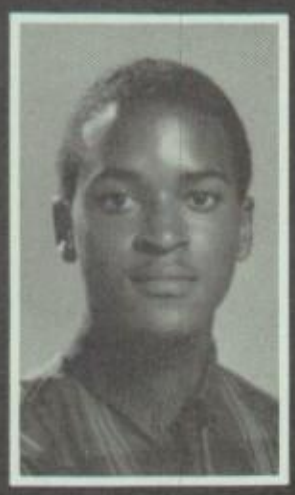
Ricky Davis

Walter Dial



Keith Douglas

Octavious Douglas



Alvin Duncan

William Ferguson

Christopher Flowers

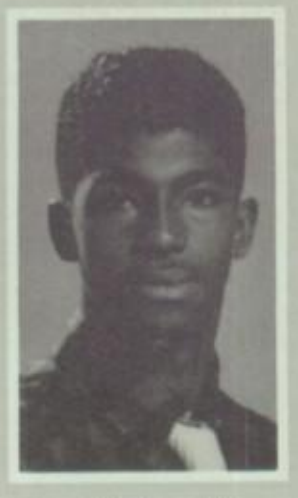
Wesley Gallien

Although the junior year is a time when a student must mature, many juniors have difficulty maturing. This is probably due to the fact that there is a big maturation gap between upperclassmen and lowerclassmen - much like the gap between eighth and ninth grades. For many, this is a long and tedious process.

Harlan Gaulden

Moffer Goff

Kent Fuller


Derrick Gouthier

Charles Grant

Guy Groves

Albert Guillory

William Hailey

Alvin Harris

Emell Harris

Norman Hearon

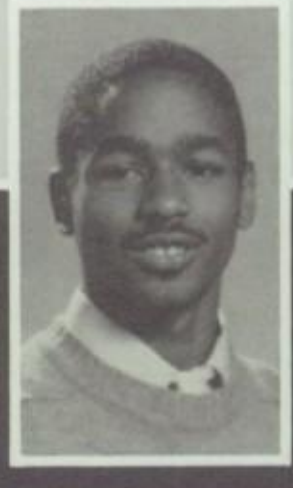
John Jackson is someone you would like to know. At first glance you would see John as a mature young man who continually achieves good grades. As a student-athlete he shows great discipline by playing football and running track while maintaining high performance in the classroom. Once you become his friend, you will notice his strong but subtle sense of humor. If you are in need of any help you will notice that he is a true friend.

Scott Hogan

Arthur Holmes

Dwayne Hutson

Darryl Jackson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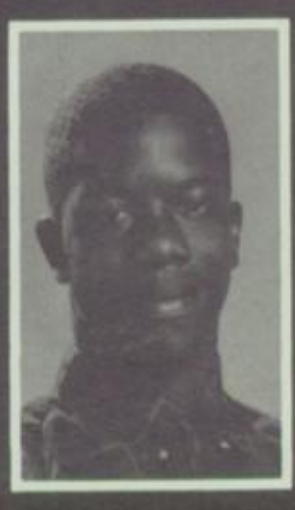
John Jackson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Gregory Kahn

Ricky King

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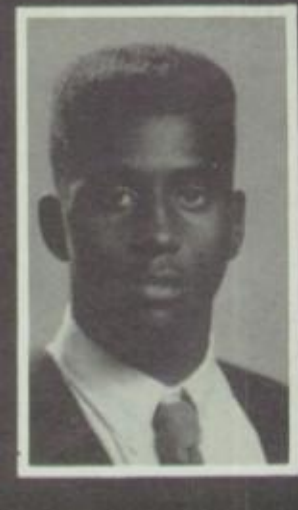
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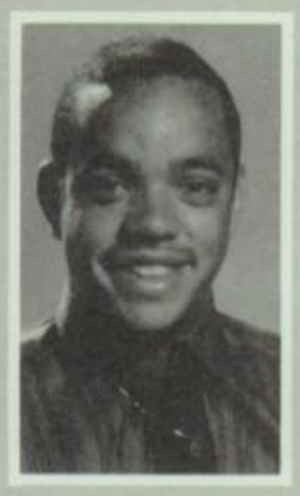
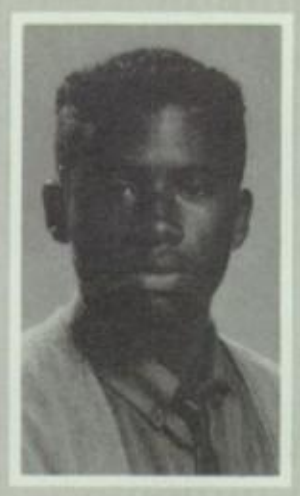


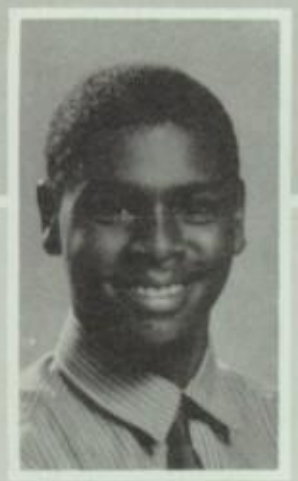
Derek Majors



Derek Martin

High School has been a time of nostalgia for the class of '87. Who can forget the chase by Verbum Dei at the bus stop ... the coming of Dr. Washburn ... the group instruction room riot ... doghouse, mission and Bible floats ... IM-REC Semifinalists like Homeroom's 19 and 24 ... the chairthrowing incident in the reading room ... the fire at the dance ... the games during lunch time ... and many more. Those are the things that fill the memory of the class of '87.

Darren McDow



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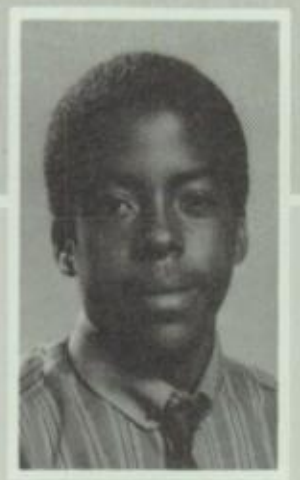


Maryea Morton

James Napoleon

Sherard Noles

Benjamin Otero

Dale Lovvik

Troy Hart

Miguel Mendez

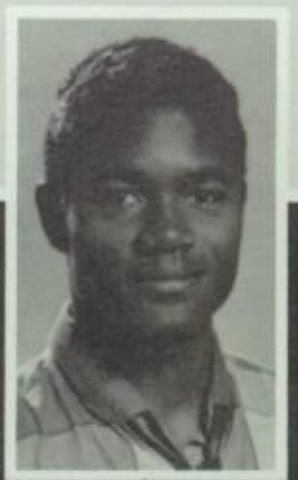
Norman Hearon defines the word "exceptional." Scholastically he is second to none. As a member of the SEARCH Board, homeroom president, a member of the yearbook staff, and a statistician for the football and basketball teams. Norman personifies involvement. Yet, above all his achievements and contributions, Norman is most of all an incredibly decent young man. No one has ever been "put down" or talked about by Norman. No one can remember an incident where Norman lost his temper. The standard that Norman sets challengers and inspires everyone at Serra.

Sheldon Parker

Gary Patterson

Terence Pickens

Michael Prudhomme



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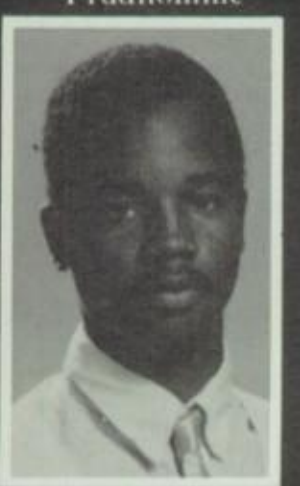


Kevin Rivers

Chris Robinson

Norman Hearon

Robert Rucke

Michael Sampson

The Junior Class must now be responsible for their own actions. They know that no one will take them by the hand to lead them on. They realize that they must lead themselves as they develop into a leadership role during their final year in high school.

Eduardo Segura

Brian Shine

Raymond Simmons

Shawn Smyles

Lorne Stevenson

Albert Thierry

Gregory Torres

Patrick Tubal

Theron Tucker

Daniel Upshaw

Adrin Thomas

Rudy Vallin

Arthur Vigne

Darrell Washington

Dennis Weydemuller

Edward Wilkens

Charles Willis

Brian Wilson

Jeffrey Wilson

Cliffton Winston

Ernesto Zenteno

Darvin Jackson

There are a few strong leaders in the junior class and one member of this elite group is Darvin Jackson. Darvin is categorized as a student-athlete. He has excelled academically as well as athletically. Darvin has established himself as a consistent member on the Honor Roll and illustrated how a Serra Man should achieve scholastically. The leadership skills that Darvin possesses are clearly seen on the basketball court. Darvin started as point guard for the varsity squad. Darvin's basketball skills are a great gift to him, but his greatest gift of all is his brilliant mind.

Serra Search

Anthony Floyd
President

Anthony Franklin

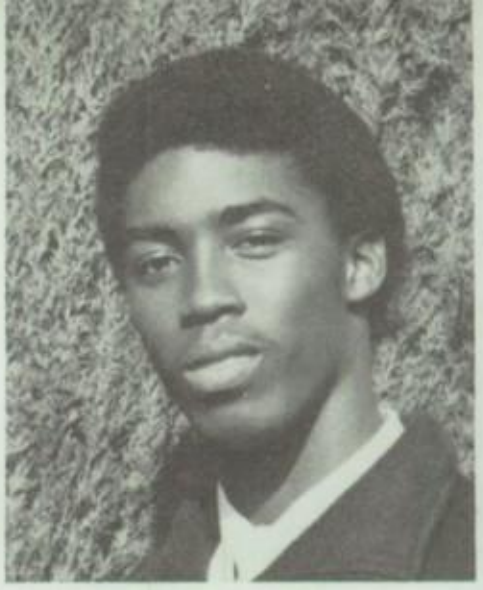
Harold
Manyweather

Norman Hearon

Serra Search is the retreat program of Serra High School. Its goal is to further the growth of the participants by bringing them to a closer relationship with themselves, others, and God. This is done through a series of talks and activities over the course of a weekend. The amount of enlightenment a retreatant gets from the experience depends on how much he or she puts into it.

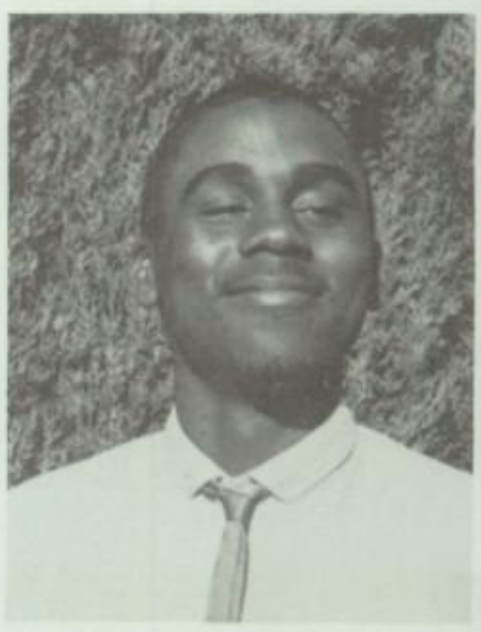
Search is run by students for students. The team that runs the retreat is picked from different high schools as well as from Serra. As team members, many give their time and energy for the betterment of others. Whether it be working in the kitchen, giving a talk, helping to lead a group or directing the retreat itself, the team find the jobs unending, yet the enjoyment that they get is unmatched. The team members are picked by the Serra Search Board.

The board was picked for their Christian attitude by the faculty last year. As well, all of the members of the board attended a week long religious experience in Northern California called L.I.F.E. camp. At life camp the board learned leadership skills and was given a lot of inspiration for Search. Tiresome hours were put in by the board even before the start of school. For the members of the board, Search is more than just an extra-curricular activity, it is an expenditure of time and self. As well, all the members of the board work on every retreat, making a great committment.



Montell Jordan
Vice-President

Keith Malone



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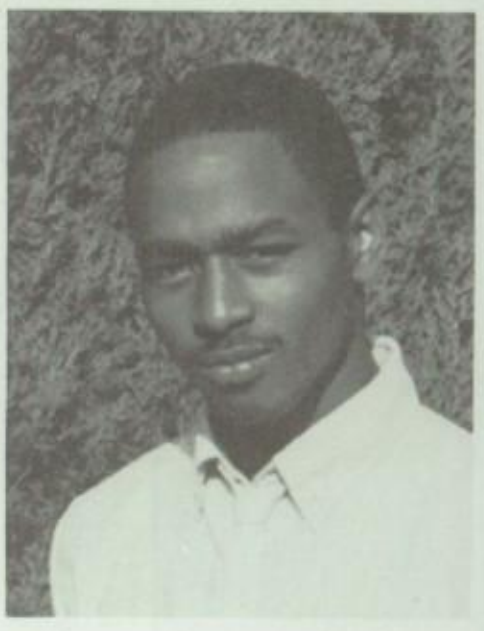
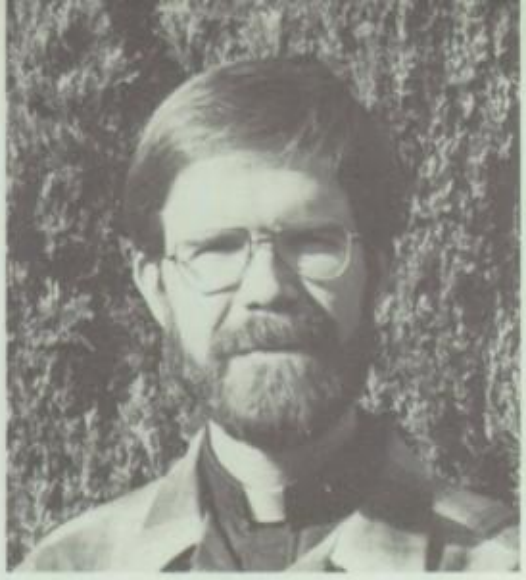


Darvin Jackson

Serra Search Moderators

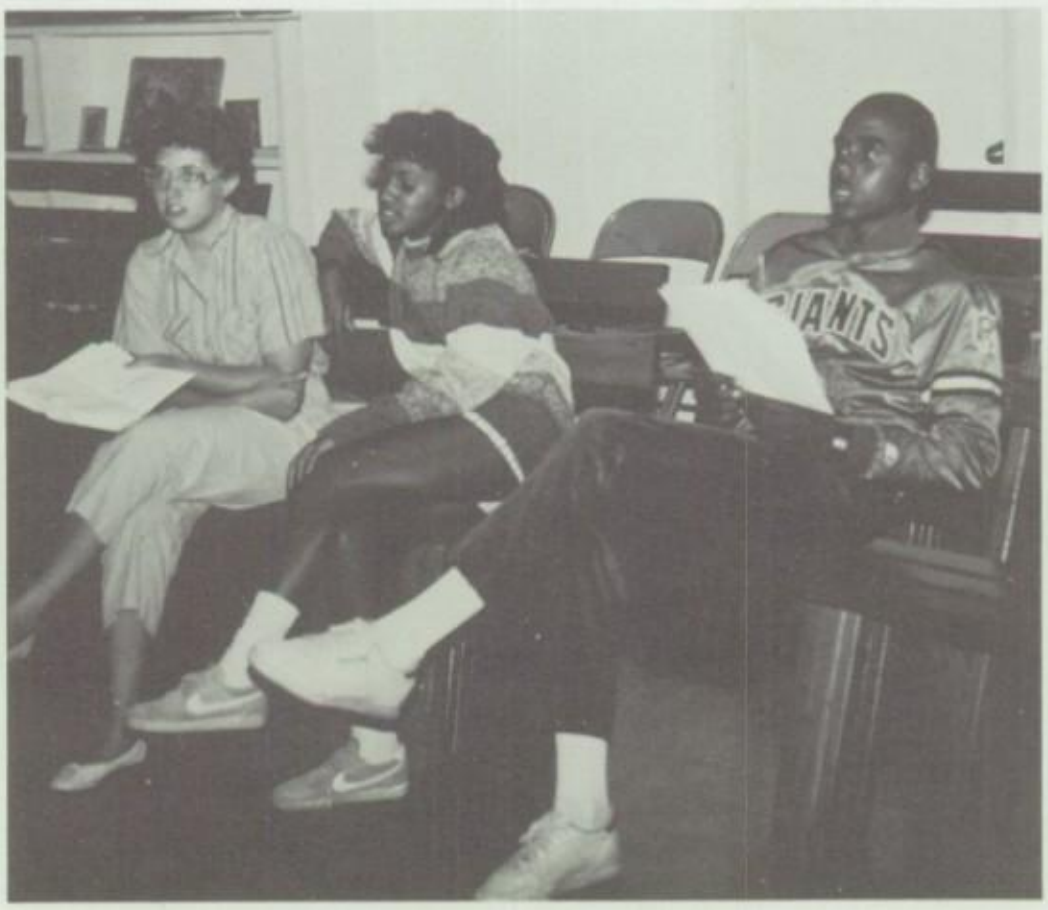


Fr. Mark Neary, S.M.

Charles Bunker

Much of Search's steam comes from the moderators. These are the people who help to guide the board and the team. They don't give orders or try to run Search, they simply observe and step in when a problem can be solved that the others have missed. In many ways they are the backbone of Search, for they make sure that everyone is doing their best. Many a time a team or board member can be seen with a moderator for advice, help with a talk, for a problem, or just to have a friend. The moderators are a vital part of Search.

Tracy Lesassier



The K.K. prepares the menu for the retreat.

Marty Plourde

Anthony, Keith, and Anthony lead a team meeting.

Undoubtedly the most dedicated man involved with Search is Fr. Mark Neary. Not only is he a moderator, but he is the main coordinating force behind Search. He is the man that makes sure that everything is taken care of before every retreat. He brings Christ into the lives of many through his words and deeds. He is the one who holds it all together when problems seem to make everything fall apart. When the directors of a retreat become frustrated at the team, he works out the problems and calms them down. When a senior member has a problem with a talk, he makes sure that the talk is worked with and is ready for the retreat. Fr. Mark pushes for the best in Search because he pushes for the best in people, which is what Search is all about.

Junior members make name tags for the retreat.

The kitchen "krew" practices the Agape.

Walking to class, he stops at a student and puts his arm around him.

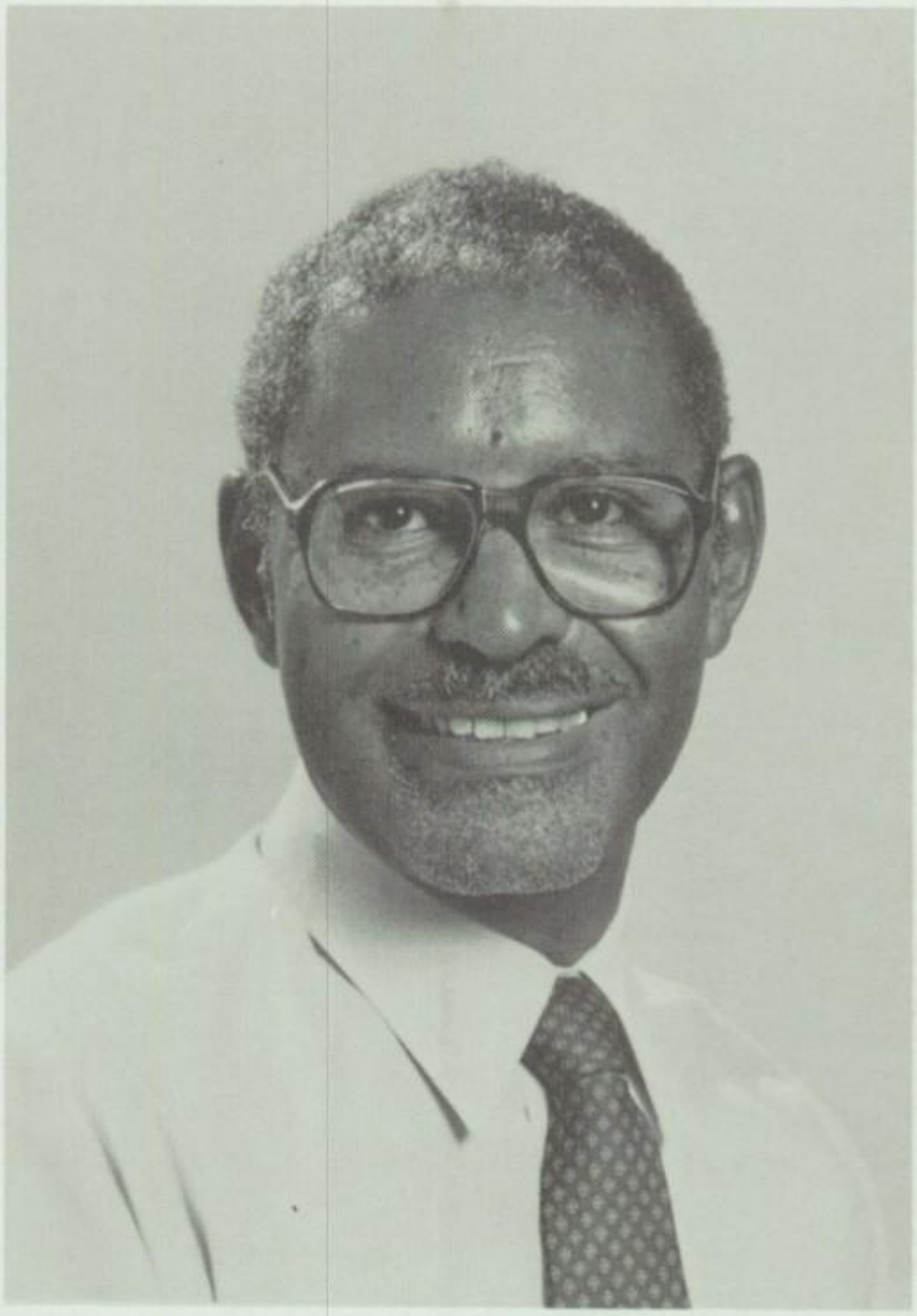
"I just don't know about you son", he would say jokingly, then go on to room 8 with his cup of coffee and a smile on his face.

That scene was commonplace with Brother Al-it was probably the most memorable aspect of him. His caring attitude was and still is, the epitimy of the Serra Family Spirit. He not only showed the family spirit, but for many, he was like a father. When he led us in the Alma Mater, the awe in which he spoke let us know that the family of Serra was alive.

As an educator, Bro. Al taught many things outside of the lesson plan. He taught of the value of education and of hard work. And he taught of pride in ones self and whatever one is a part of. He taught of loving ones people, for this is why he gave so much to Serra, "he loved his people." His love of the students was perhaps, the greatest motivational tool that the student could have, because it was well known that despite his yelling and pushing, he cared.

There is no real way to give a fitting tribute to a man with such greatness. But he may be best described by his name, Prince. He was more than just a prince of a man, he was a king. The lives of the people he affected will always be changed by his loss. But the growth that comes from that is immeasurable. His memory will live on in the hearts of those who loved him.

"A Servant To Those He Loved."



Bro. Albert Glanton, S.M.

Dec. 15, 1925—June 20, 1985

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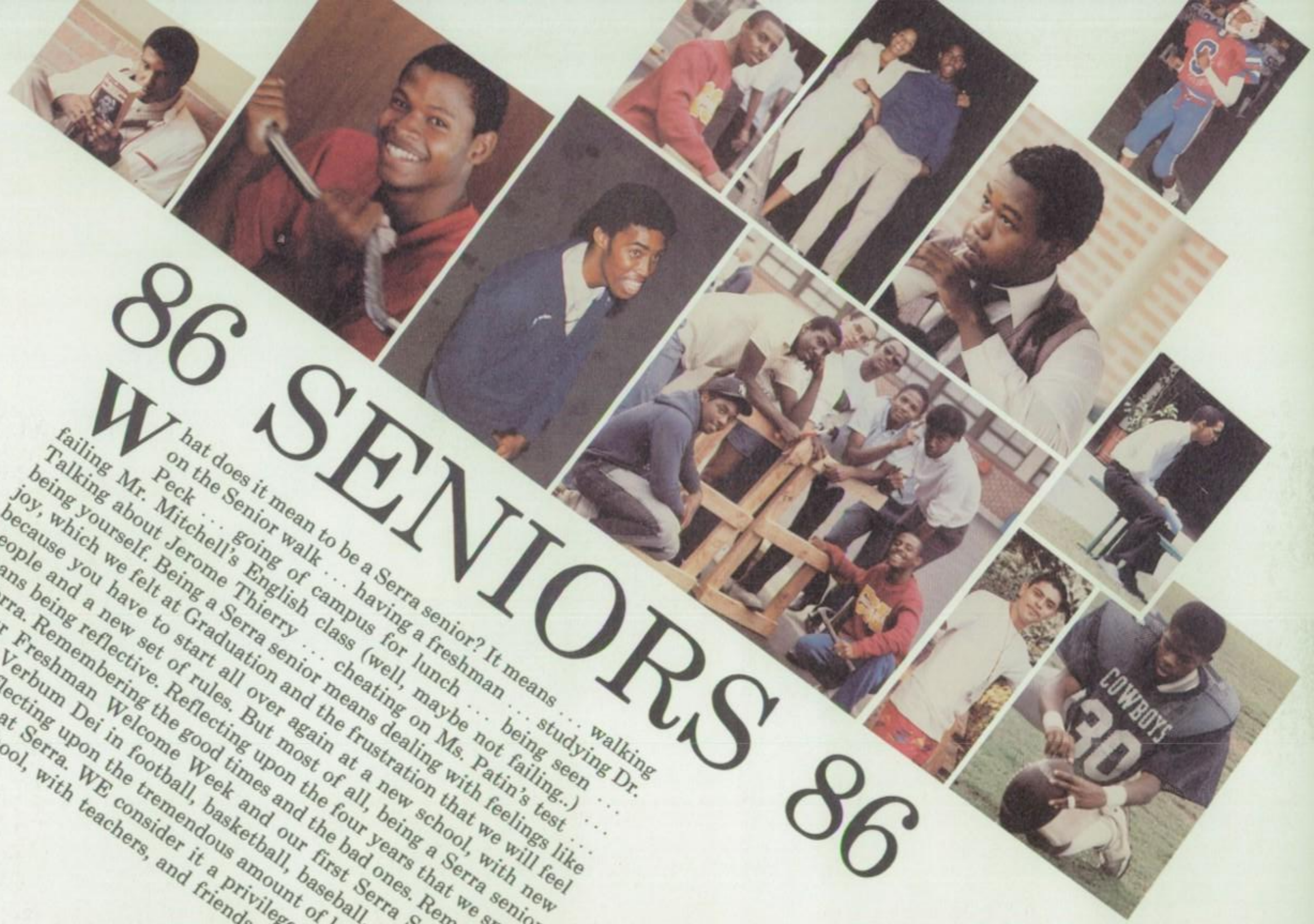
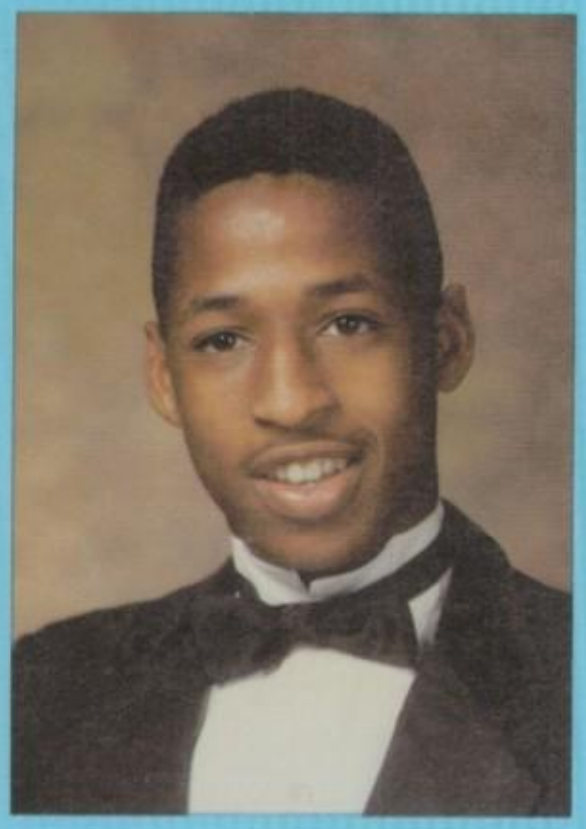


What does it mean to be a Serra senior? It means . . . walking on the Senior walk . . . having a freshman . . . studying Dr. Peck . . . going of campus for lunch . . . being seen failing Mr. Mitchell's English class (well, maybe not failing..) . . . Talking about Jerome Thierry . . . cheating on Ms. Patin's test . . . being yourself. Being a Serra senior means dealing with feelings like joy, which we felt at Graduation and the frustration that we will feel because you have to start all over again at a new school, with new people and a new set of rules. But most of all, being a Serra senior means being reflective. Reflecting upon the four years that we spent at Serra. Remembering the good times and the bad ones. Remembering our Freshman Welcome Week and our first Serra Search and being Verbum Dei in football, basketball, baseball, and Track. It means reflecting upon the tremendous amount of love that we were exposed to at Serra. WE consider it a privilege to have attended a parochial school, with teachers, and friends who cared about us.



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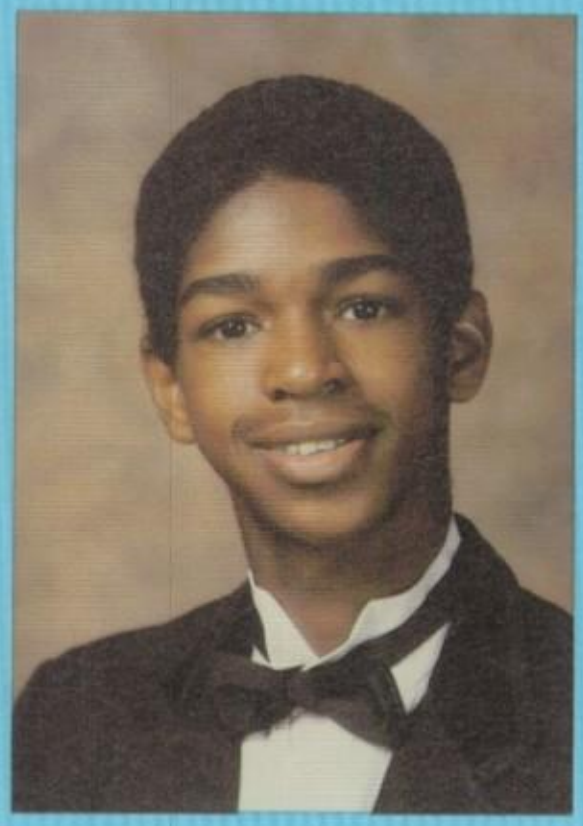

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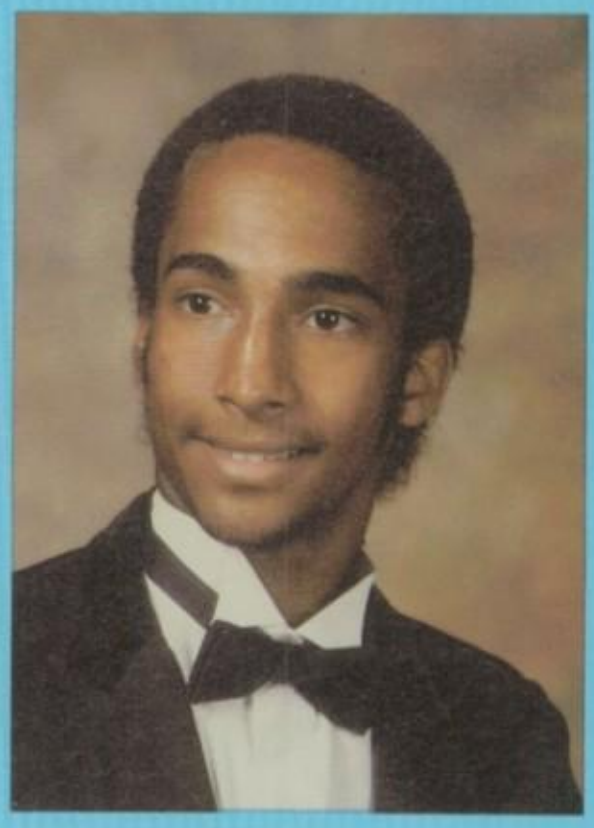

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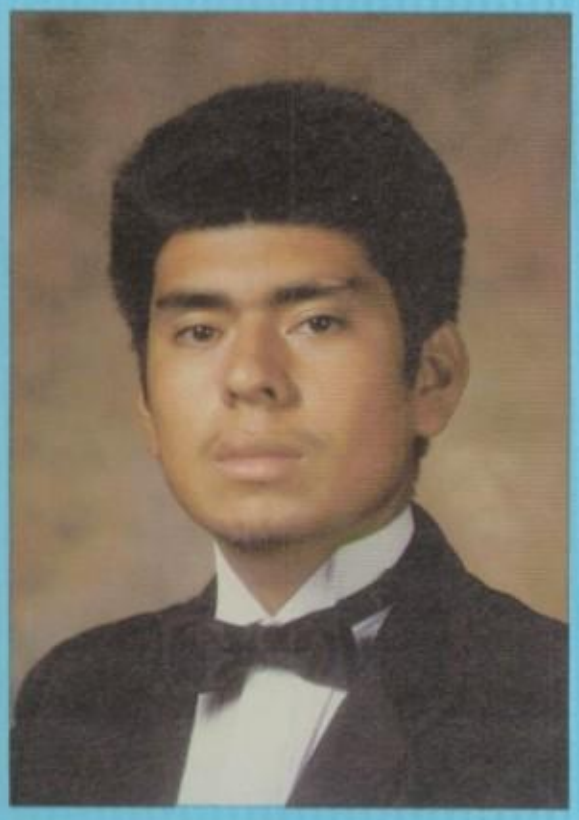
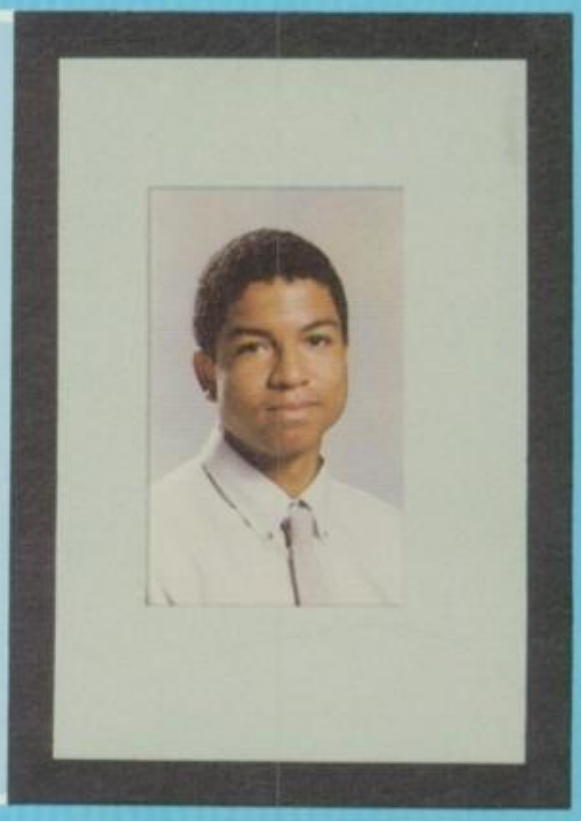
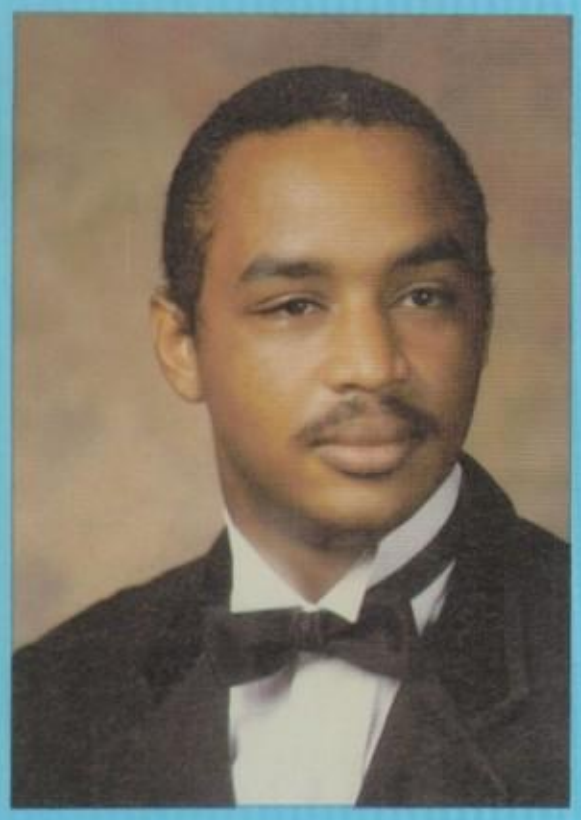


Walter Barajas

Jimmy is both a blue collar worker and an over-achiever at Serra. Everyone thinks of Jimmy as a strong competitor and a person who never backs down from a challenge. Jimmy displays the meaning of hard work both on the football and baseball fields. His determination earned him a starting position on both varsity teams. Jimmy is also a fierce competitor in the classroom where his GPA has been consistently above a 3.0. All of these things should make Jimmy successful in both college and life.





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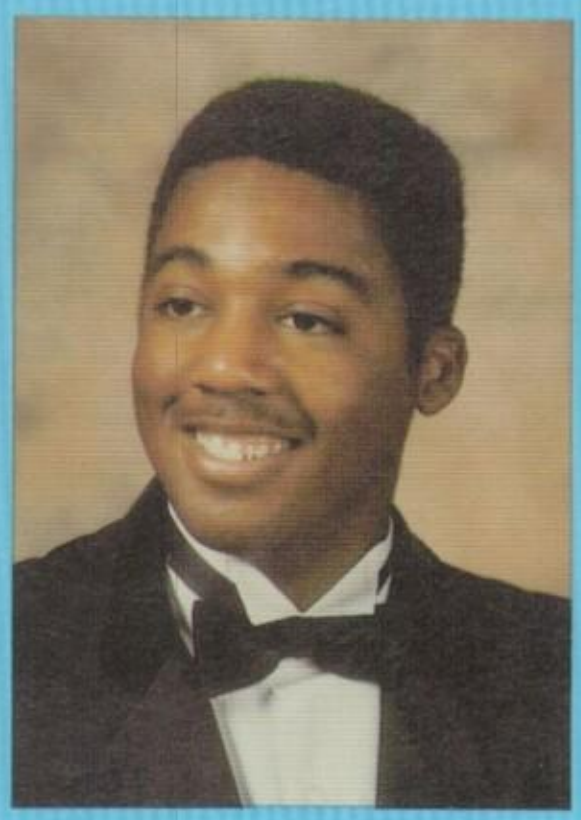

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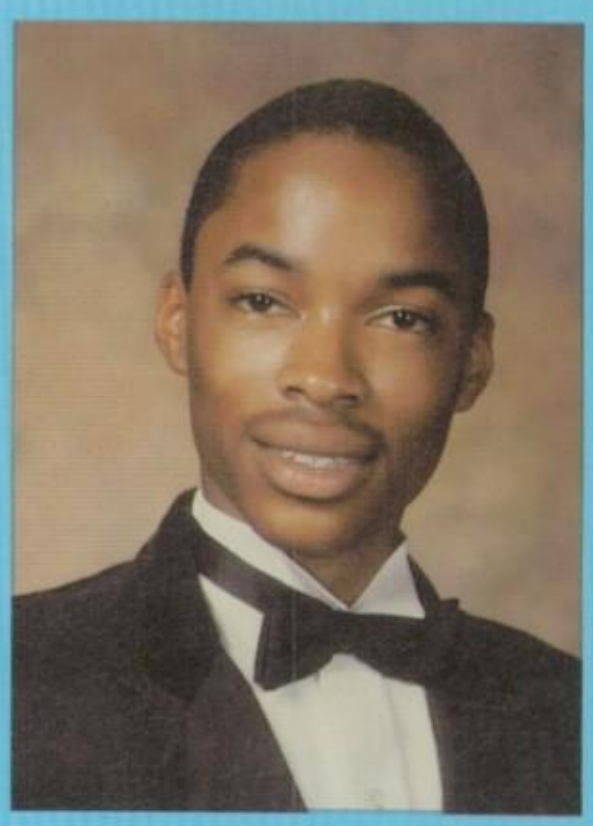

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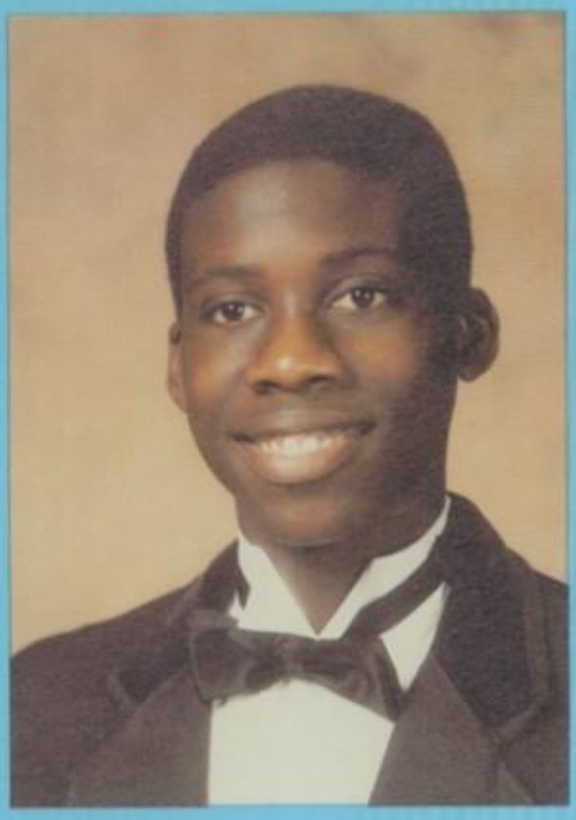

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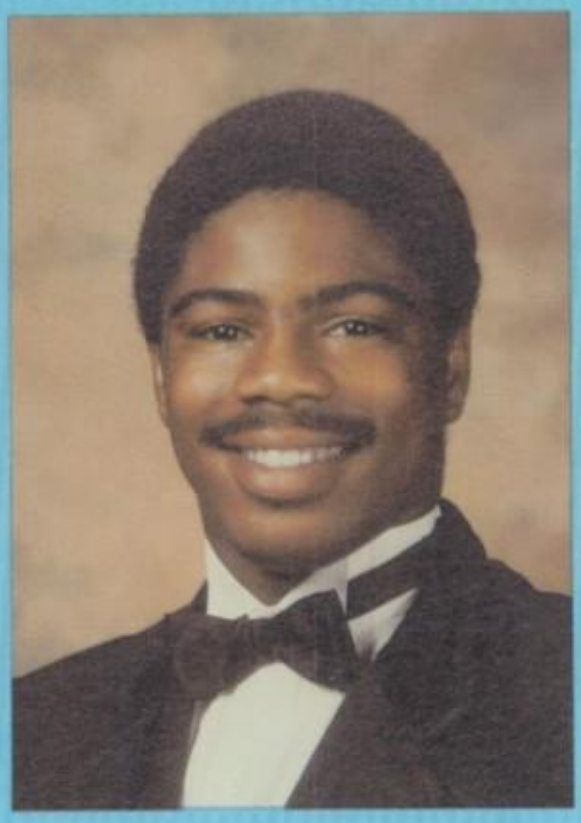

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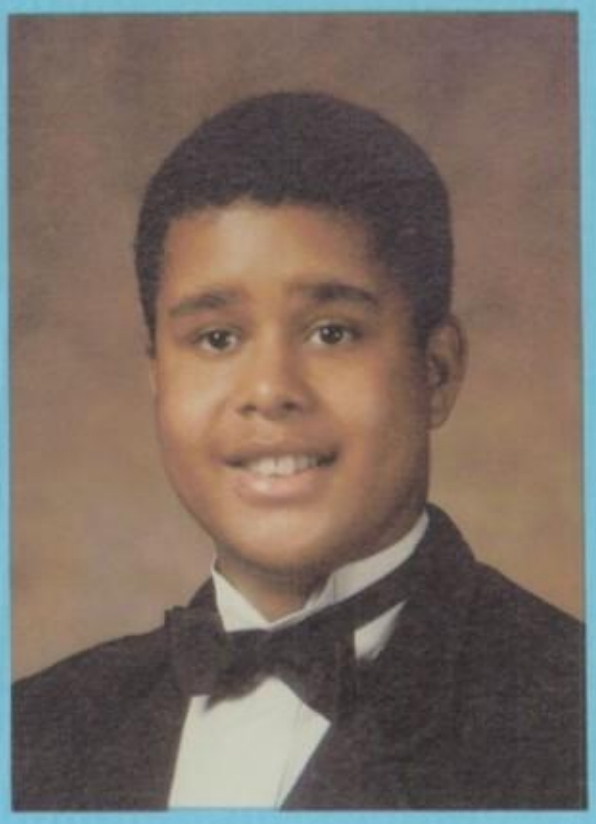
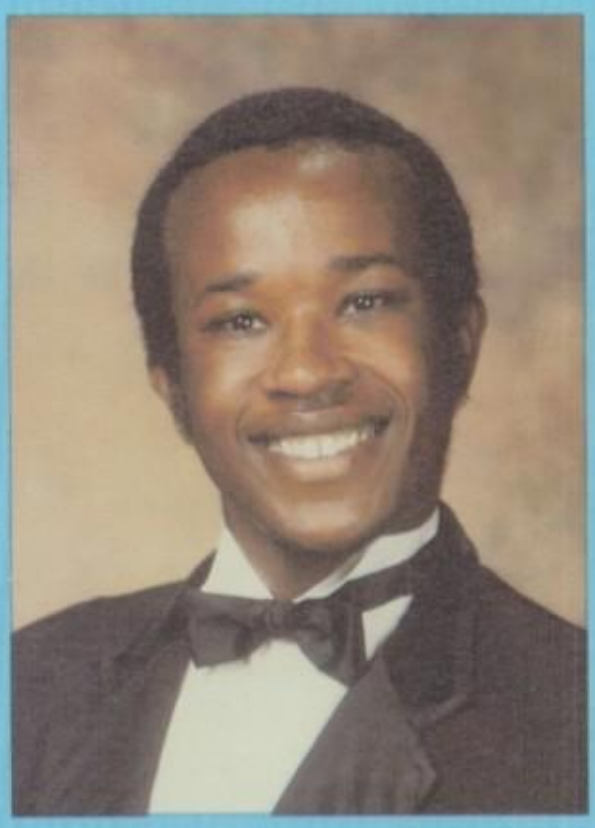


Charles Brown

Benjamin Mills is a reserved student, yet he does much to contribute to the Serra Community. He carves the ingravings on the victory planters, works as security during the dances and helps the staff when needed. He is probably known best for his quiet, dependable demanor, an image which makes him very visible to all classes. His role at Serra is vital, for without students, like Benjamin, a great part of Serra would be lacking.



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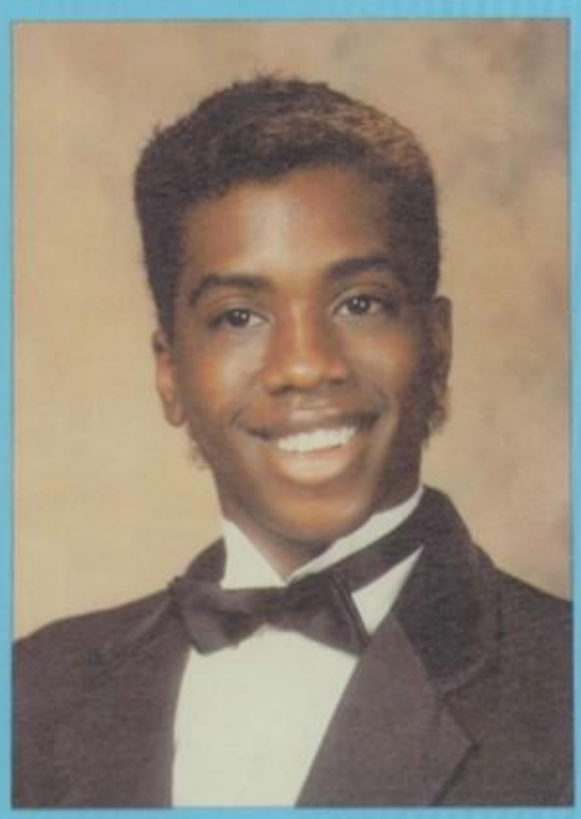

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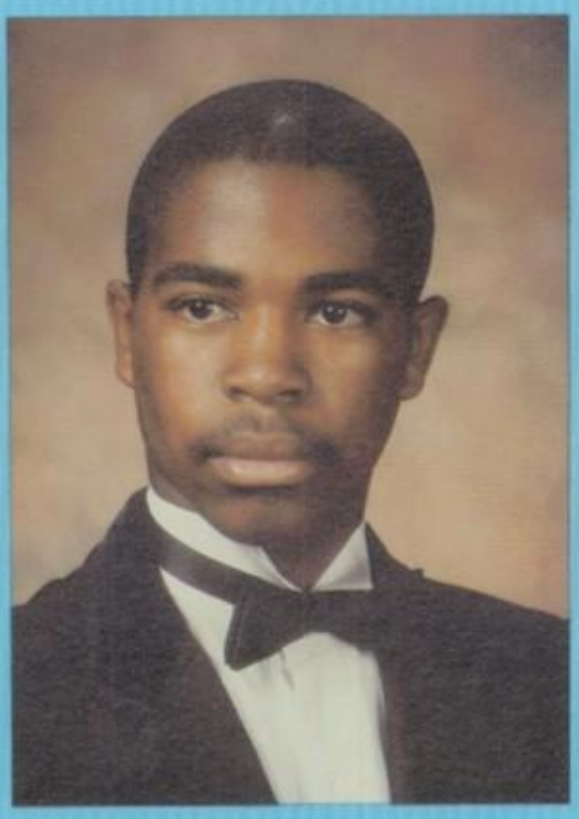

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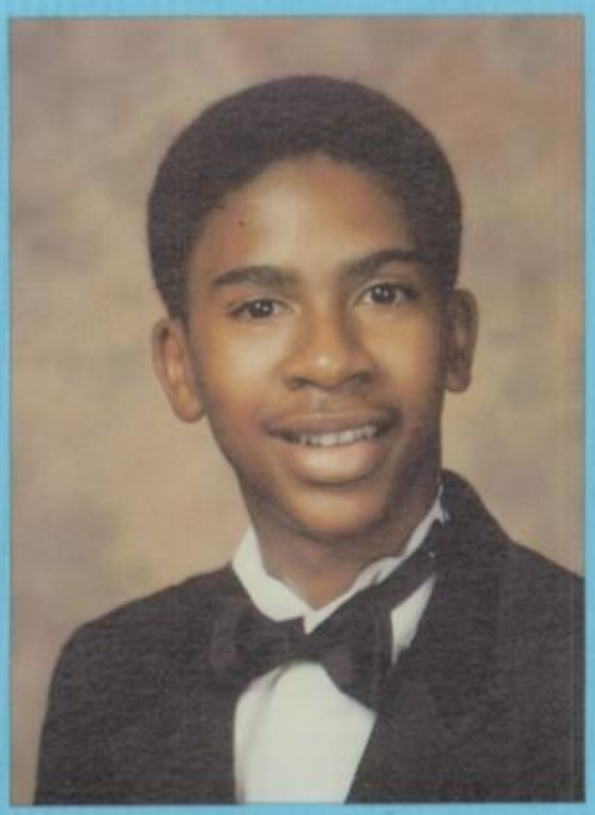
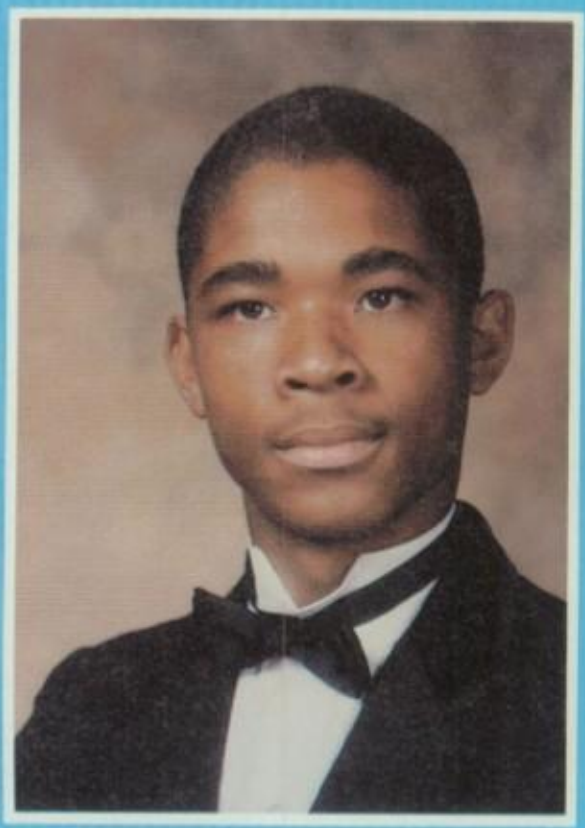


Corey Byther

"The hottest places in hell are reserved for those who in time of moral crisis seek to maintain their Neutrality."

-Dante



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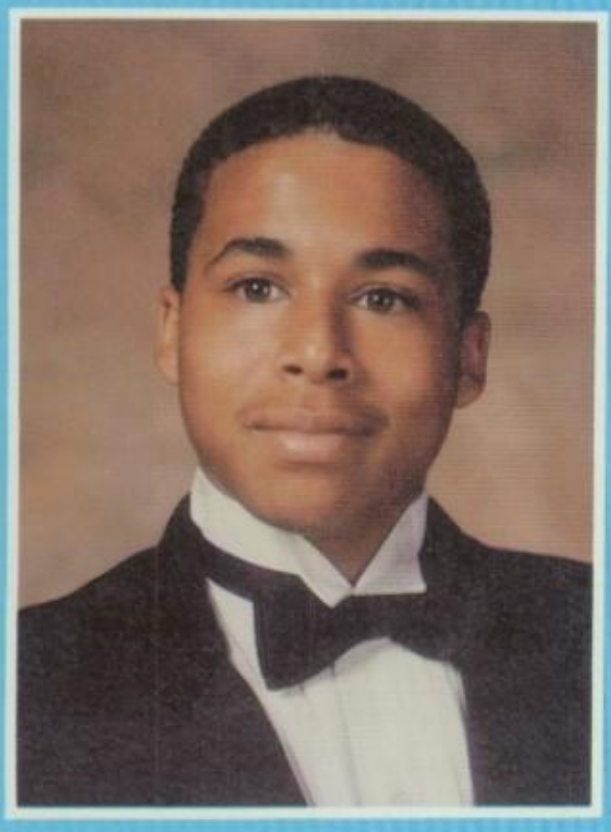

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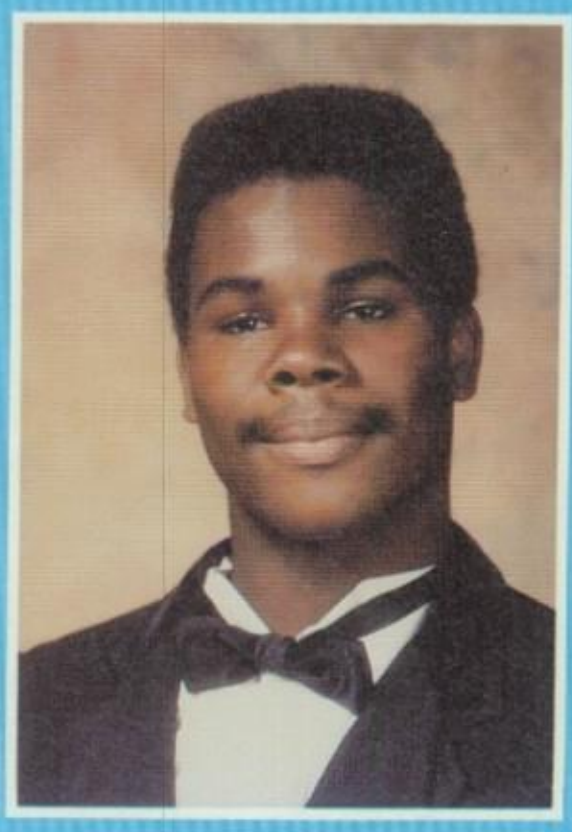

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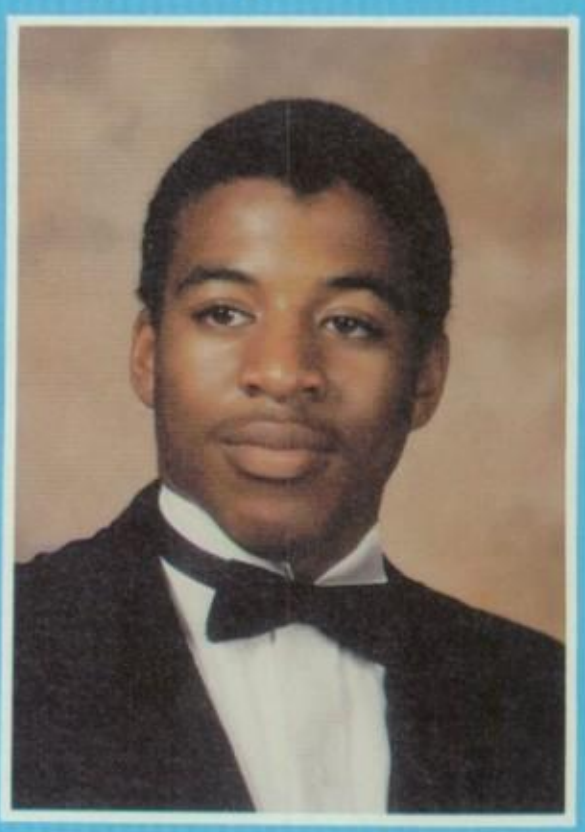

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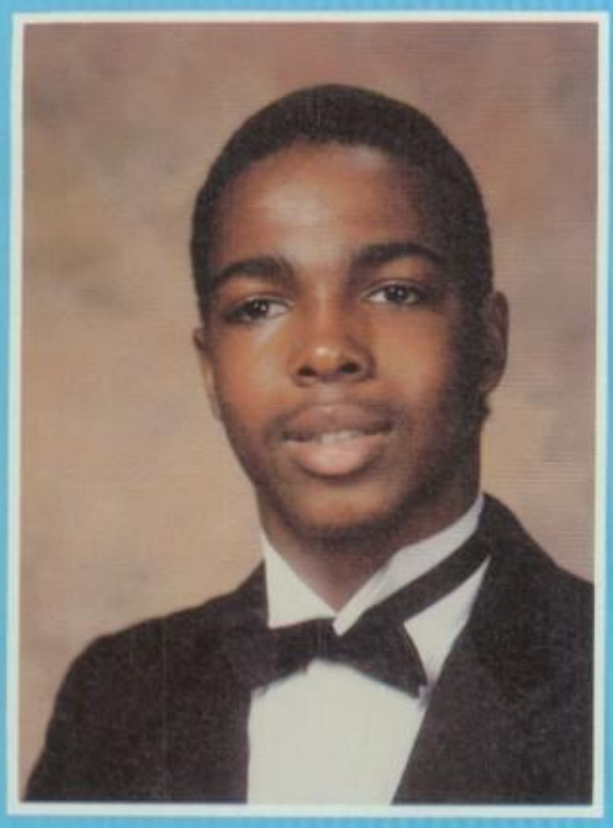

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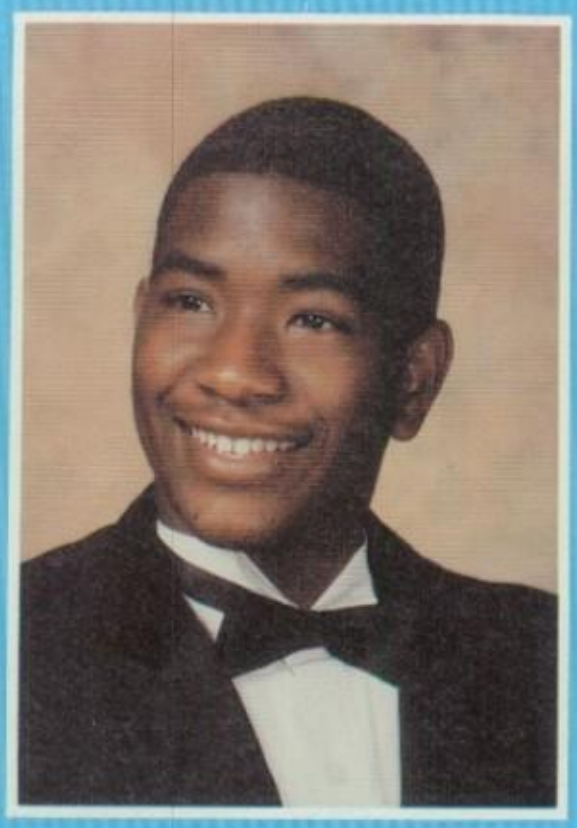

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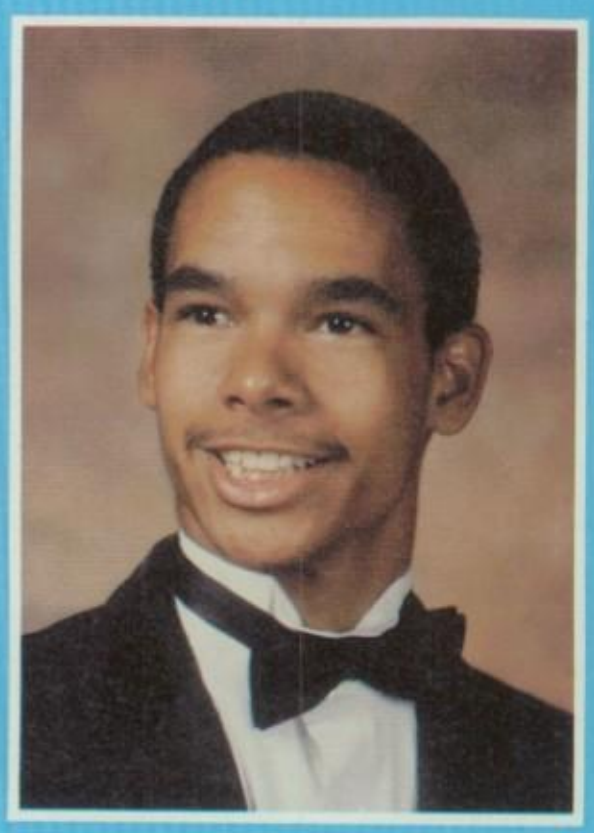

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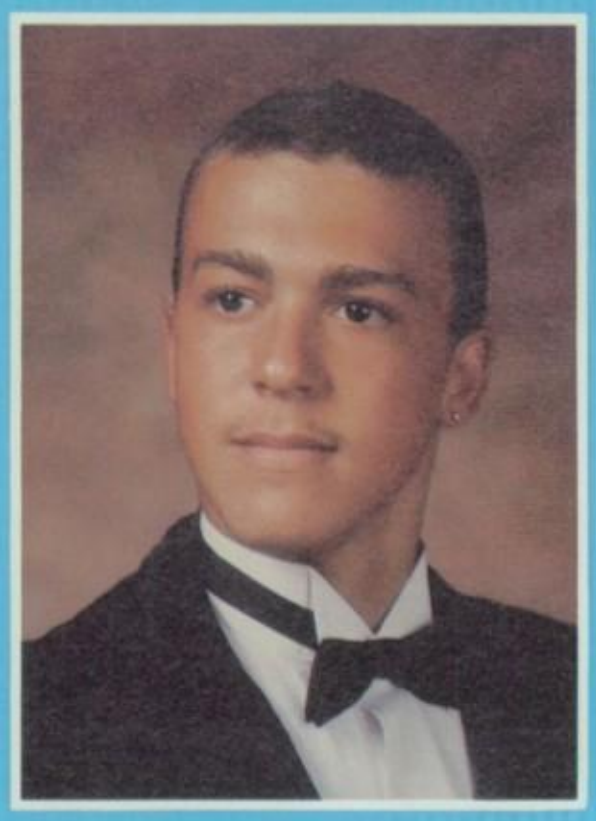

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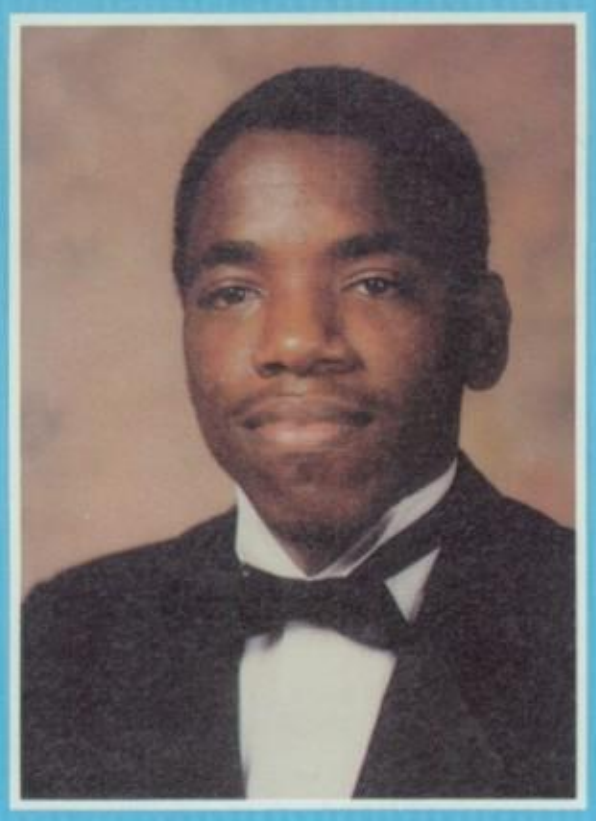

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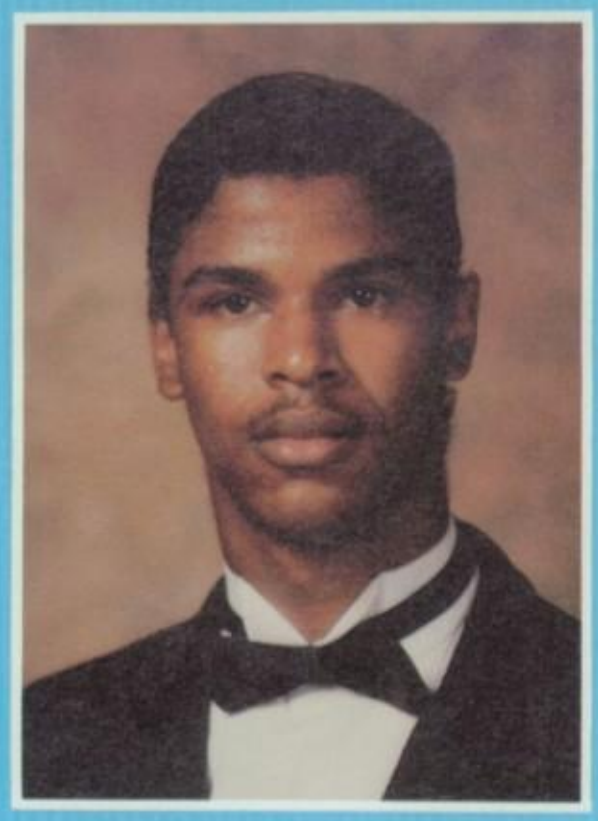

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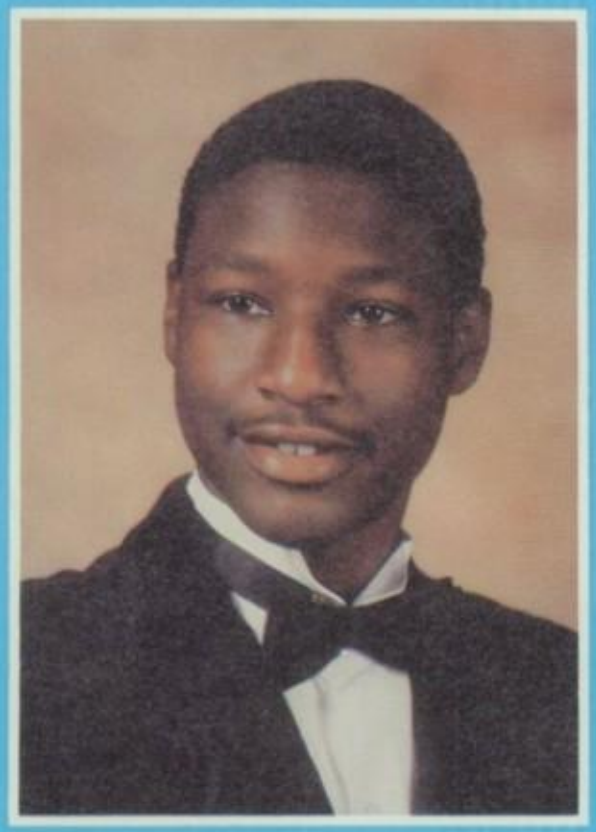

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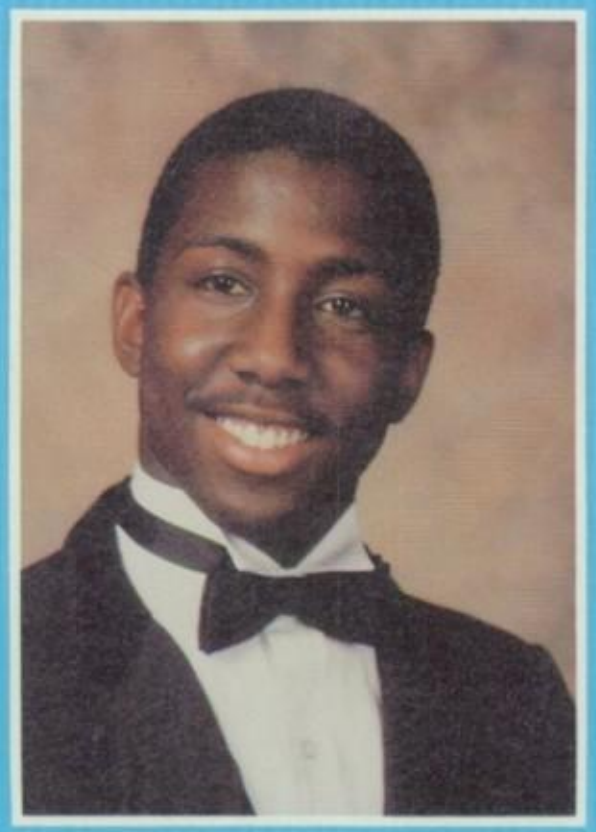

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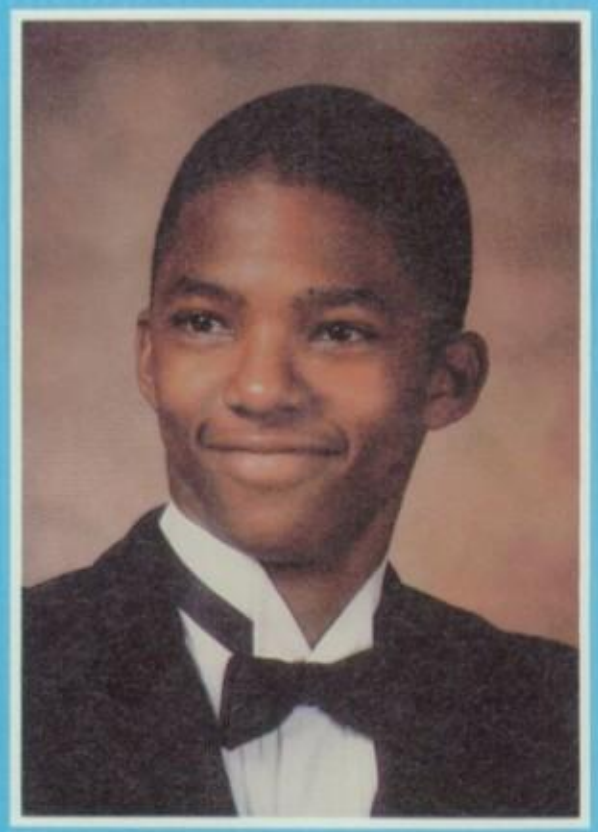

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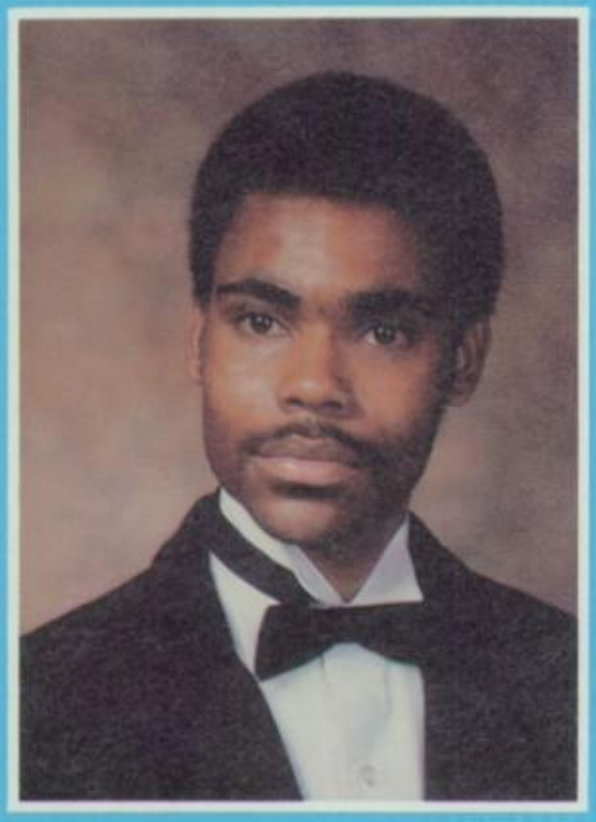


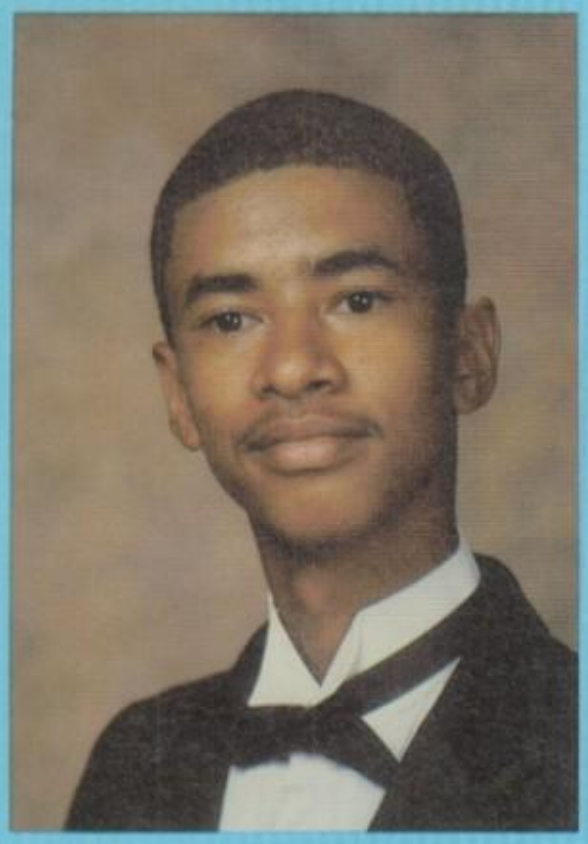
Shon Frazier

"Purity of life is the highest and truest art."

-Gandhi

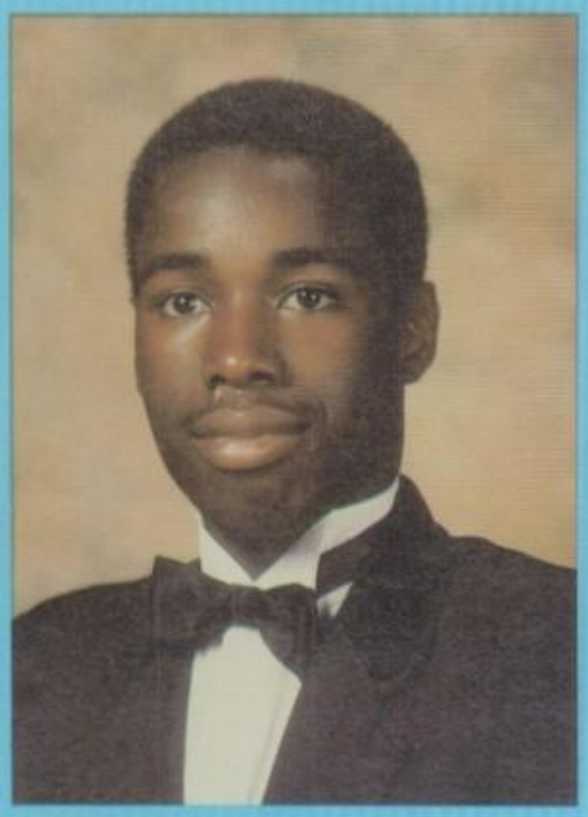
"The man who regards his own life and that of his fellow creatures as meaningless is not merely unhappy but hardly fit for life."

-Einstein



Martin Gill

Dale Lovvick, not a very noticable or loud member of the Serra Family, is a unique attribute to the student body, and a faithful supporter of Serra activities. Dale can be noted by the exhuberent manner in which he says, "hullo" . . . "well um" . . . and, "you know ah" . . .; along with swift movements that display his lightening quick reflexes. Dale can be found studying in the classroom, helping to cheer at the games, or simply offering his services to help the security at the Serra dances. Each of these characteristics contribute to life at Serra . . . Many say that Dale moves slow, but Dale would probably say, "I don't move slow . . .; everyone else just moves too fast."



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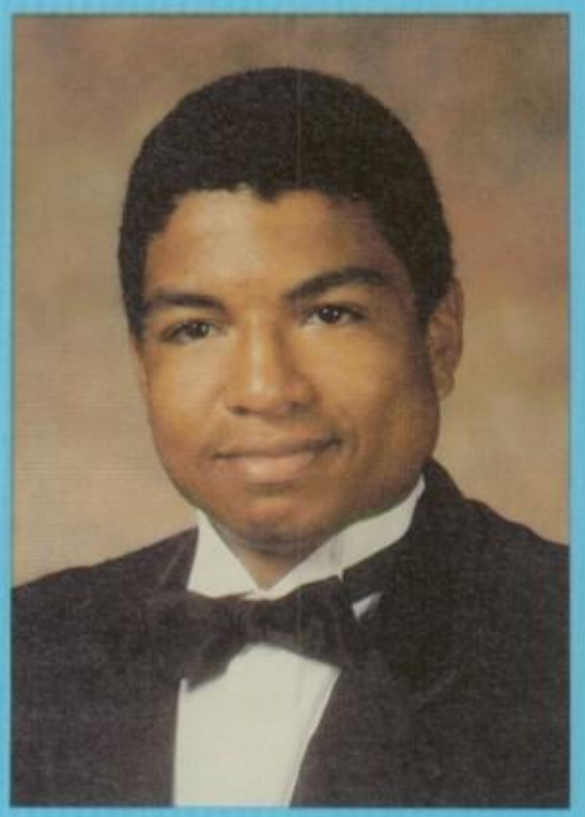

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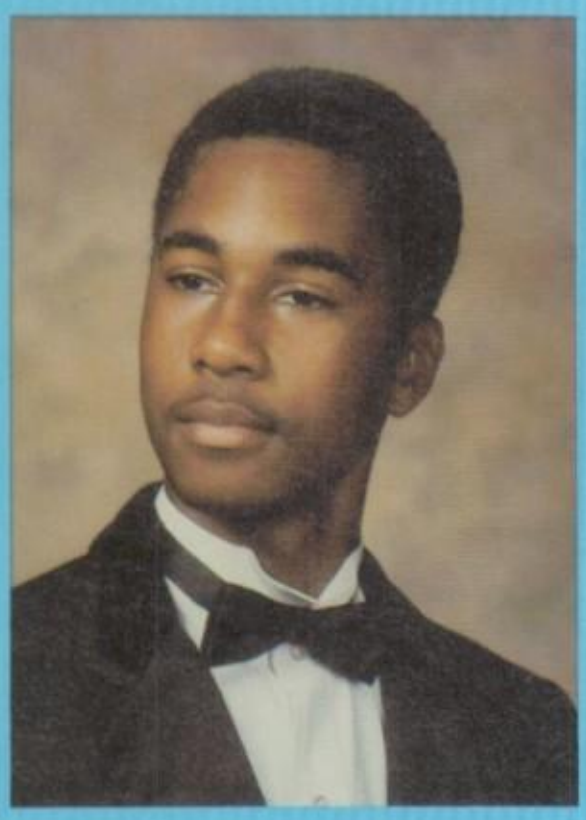

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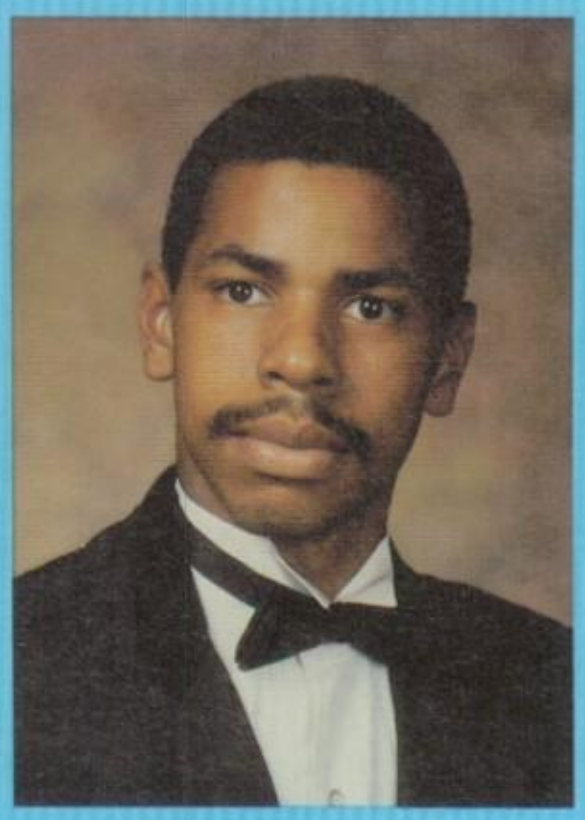

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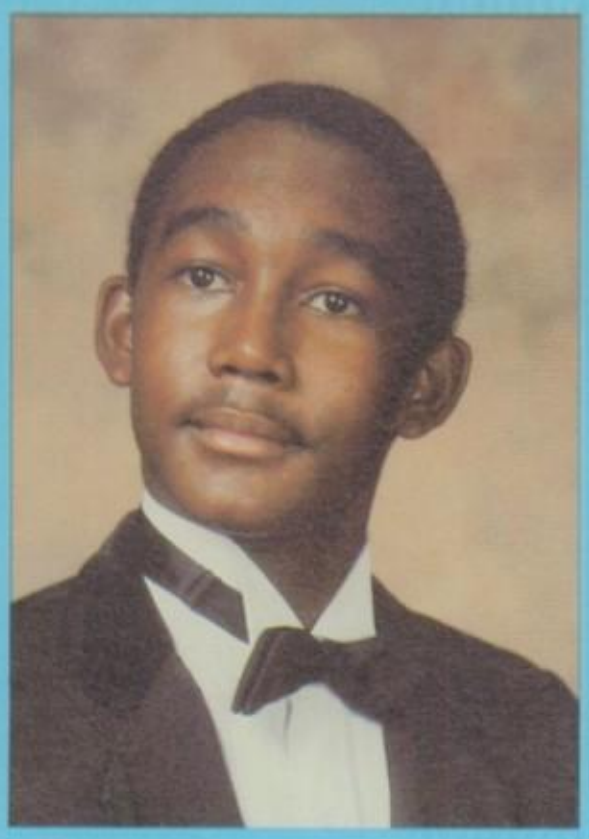

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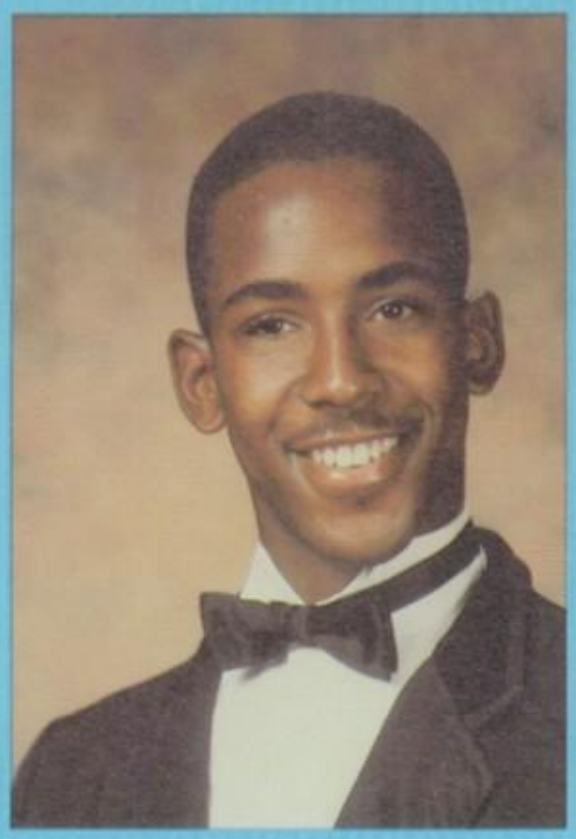

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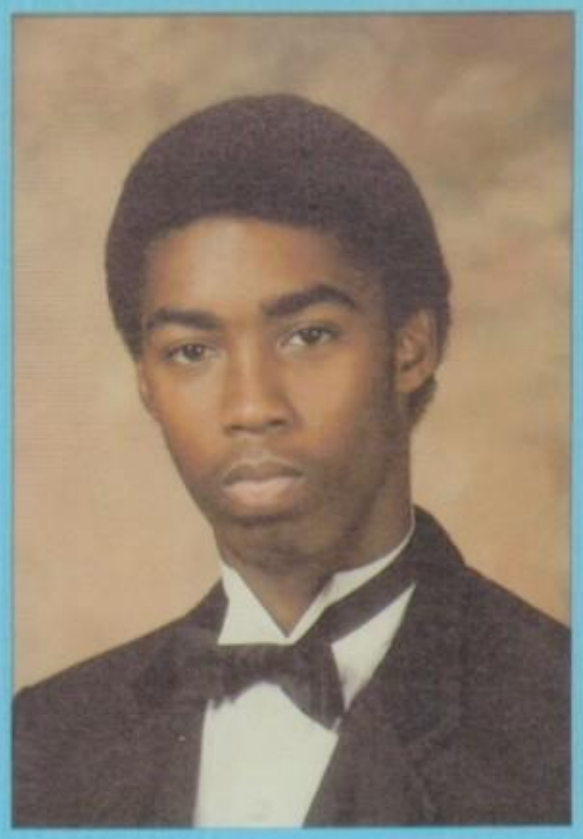

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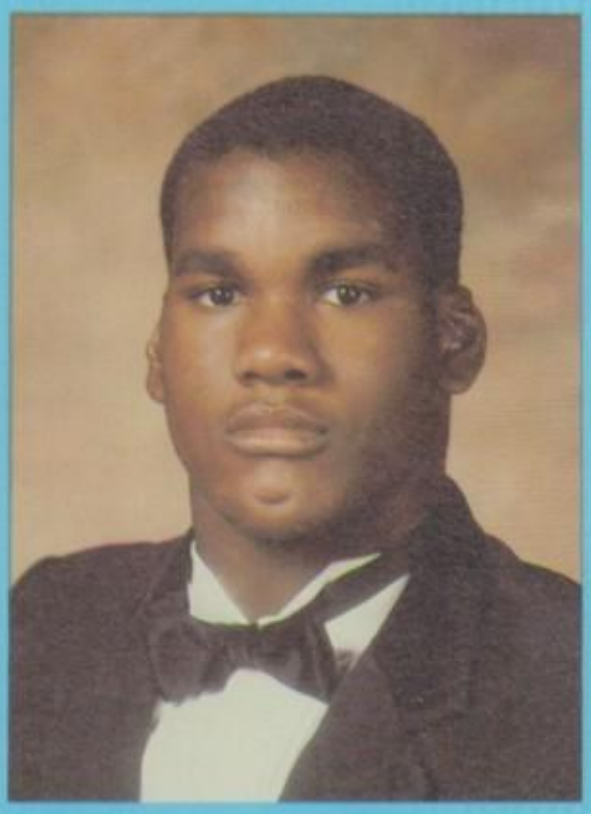

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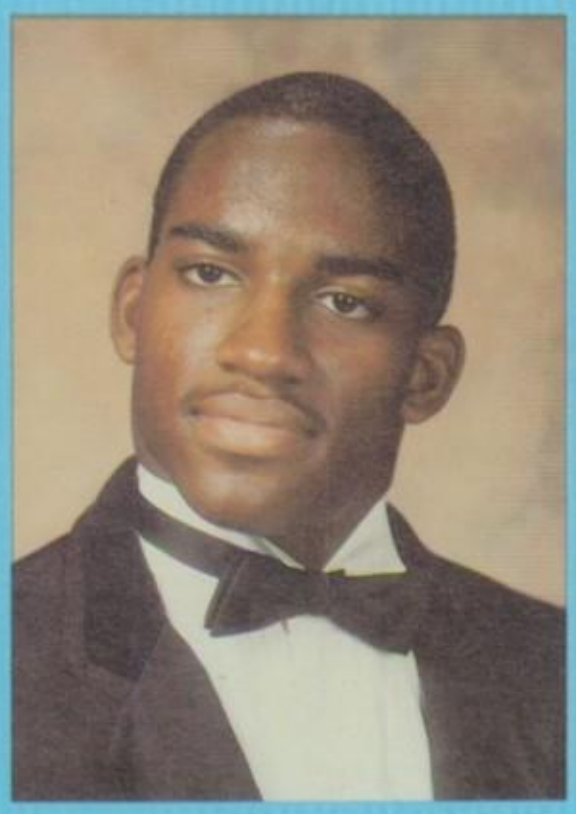

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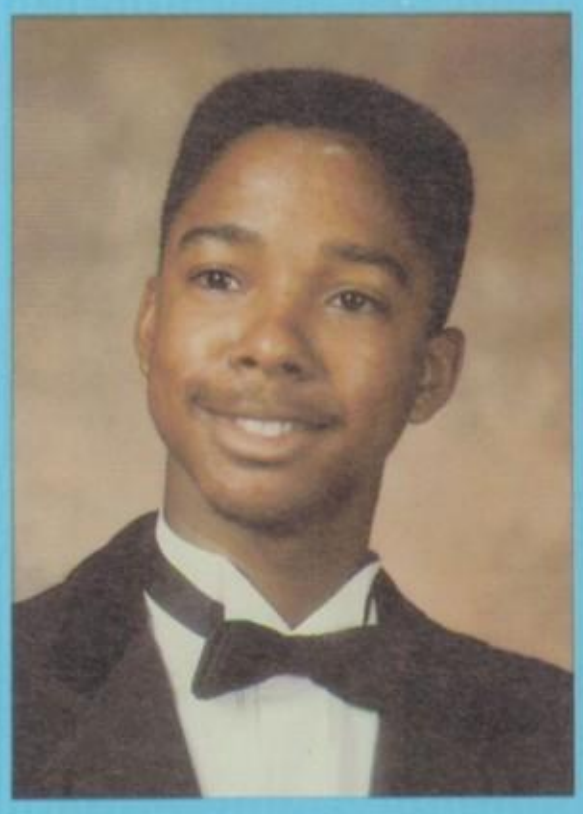

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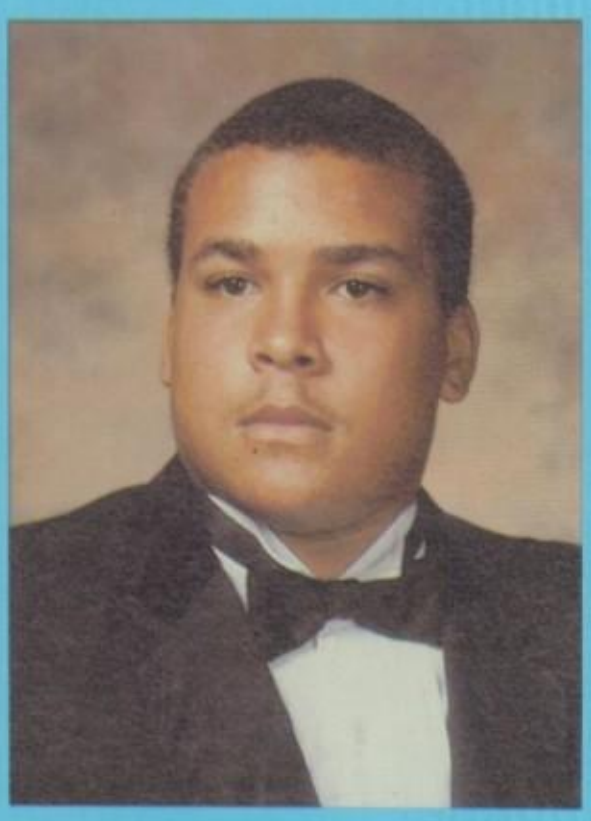
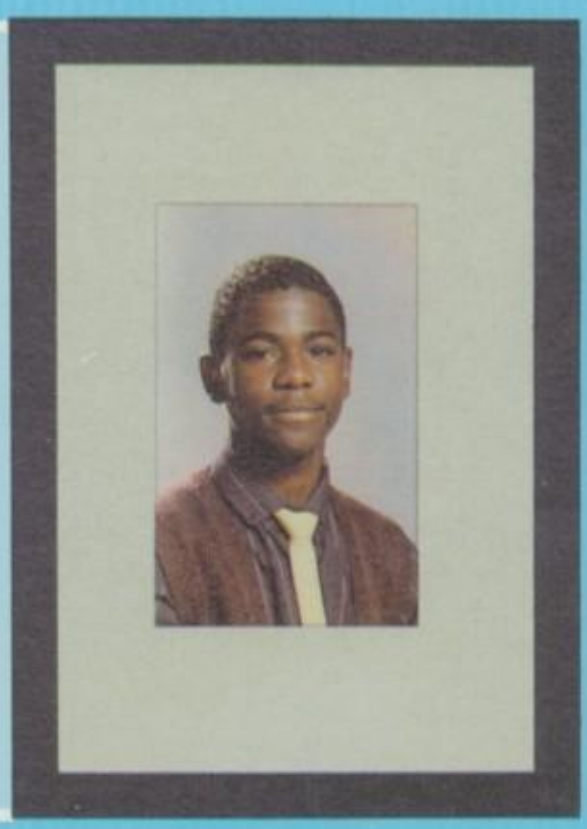
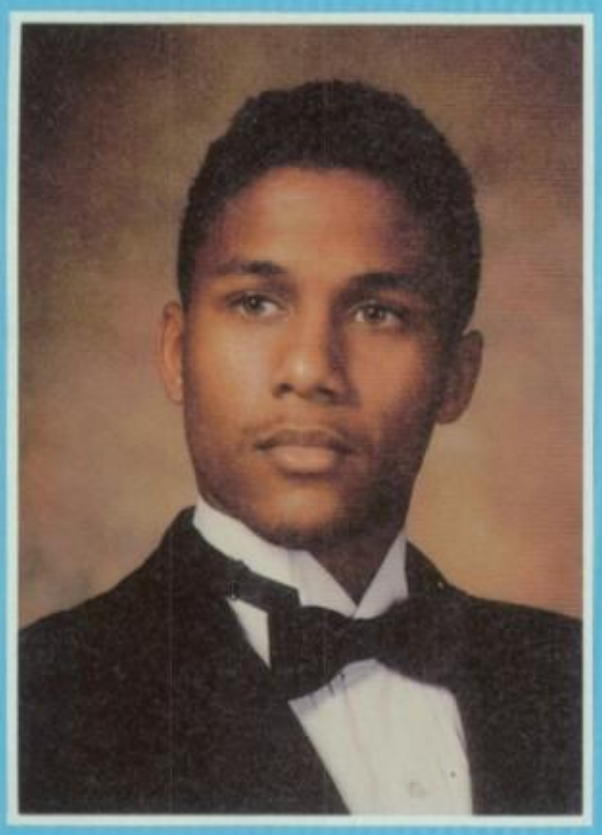


Terence LeDoux

There are seniors at Serra who will be remembered because of their academic or leadership skills. There are also seniors who will be remembered for their athletic skills. But there is only one senior at Serra who will be remembered for his oratory skills. That senior is Rodney Parker. Rodney, affectionately called "Preacher or Rev," is one special person at Serra. How many people do you know who, in five minutes, can change a classroom atmosphere into a Baptist church.





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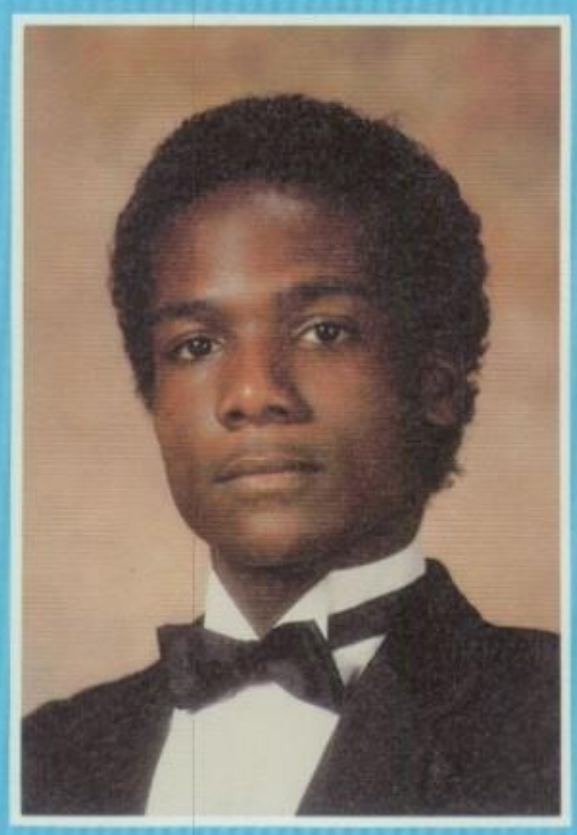

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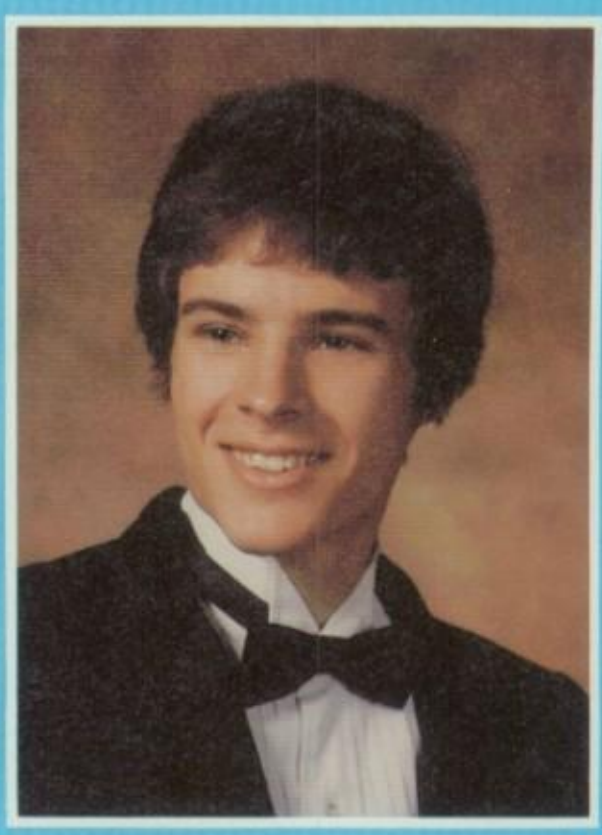

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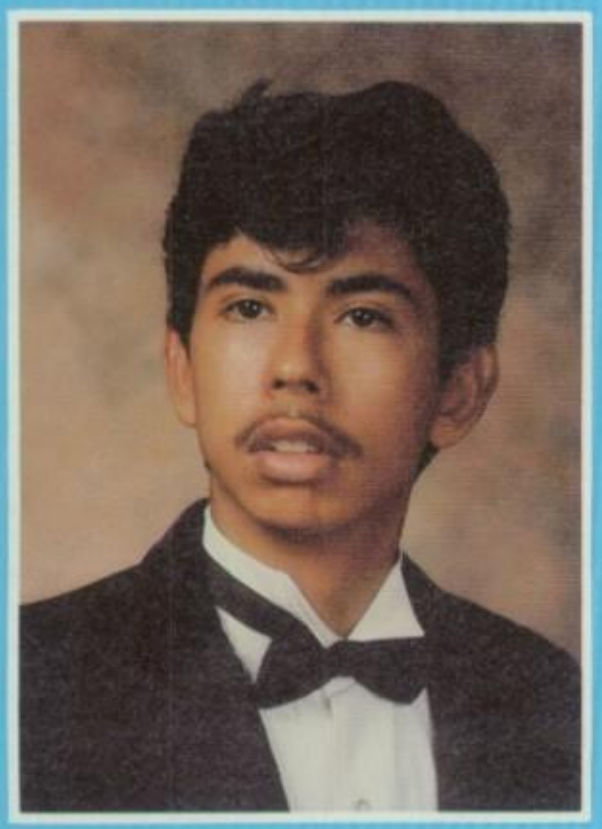

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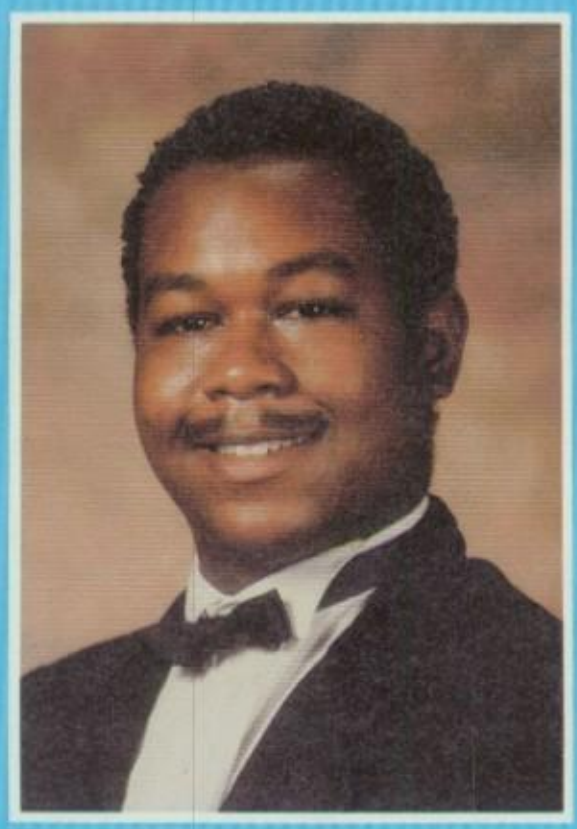

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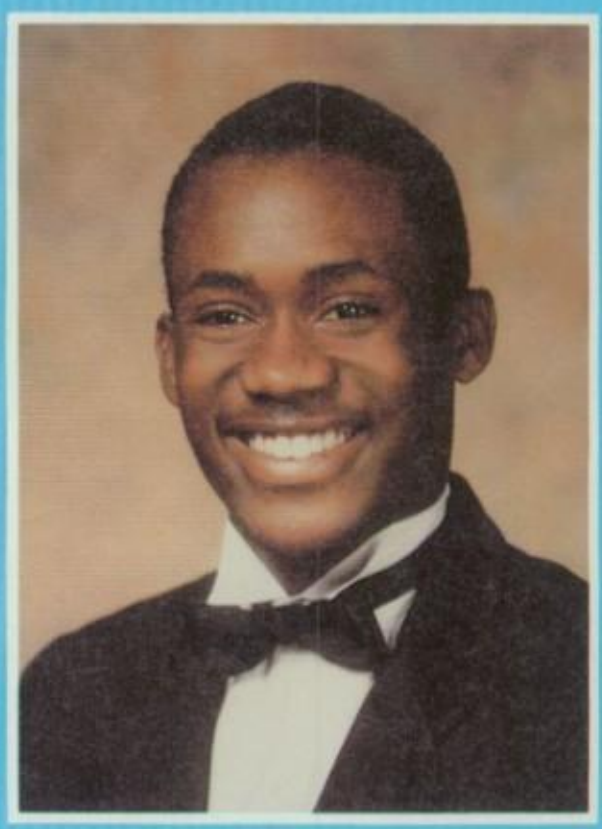

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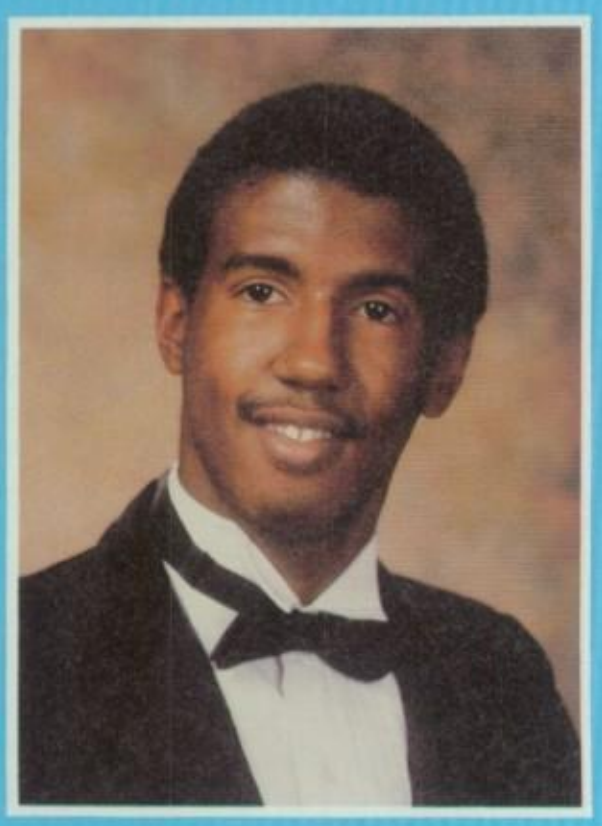
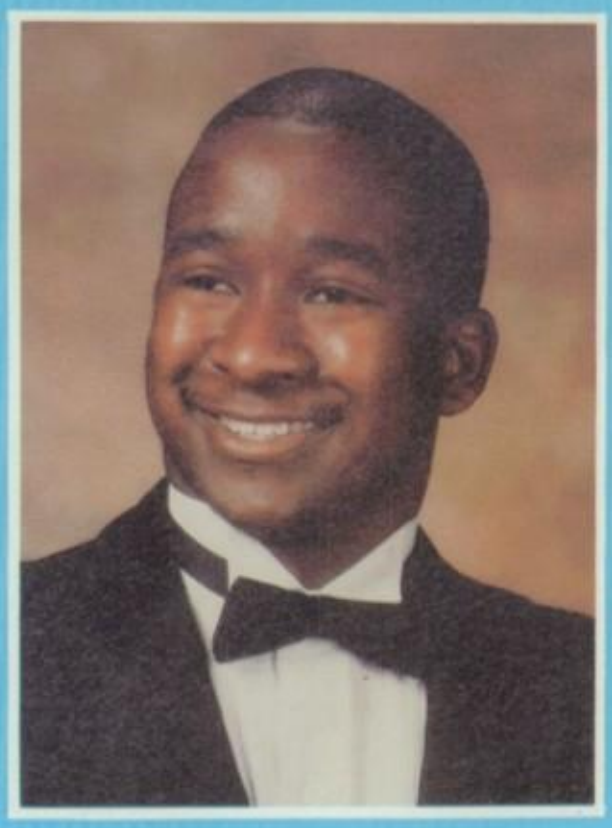


Charles Manego

"Life is to be lived, not controlled; and humanity is won by continuing to play in the face of certain defeat."

-Ralph Ellison

"Whenever you set out to build a temple, you must face the fact that there is a tension at the heart of the universe between good and evil."
-M.L.K.



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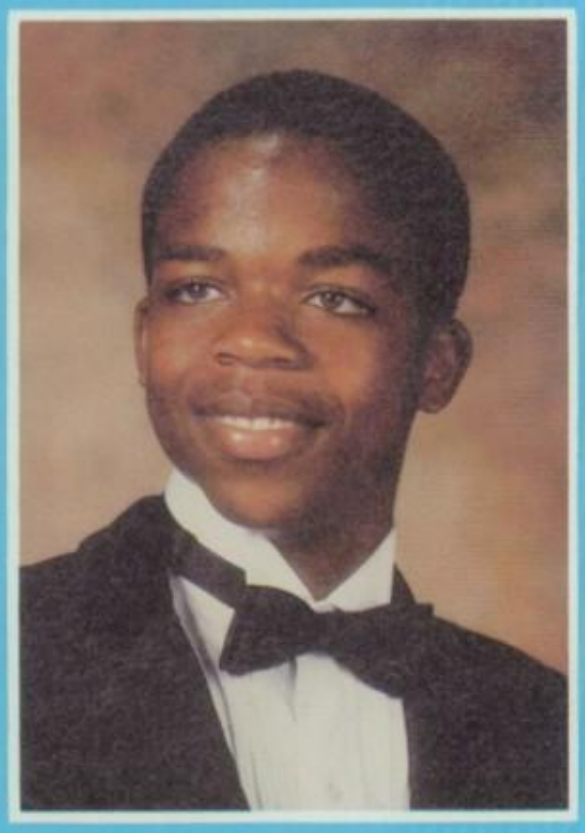

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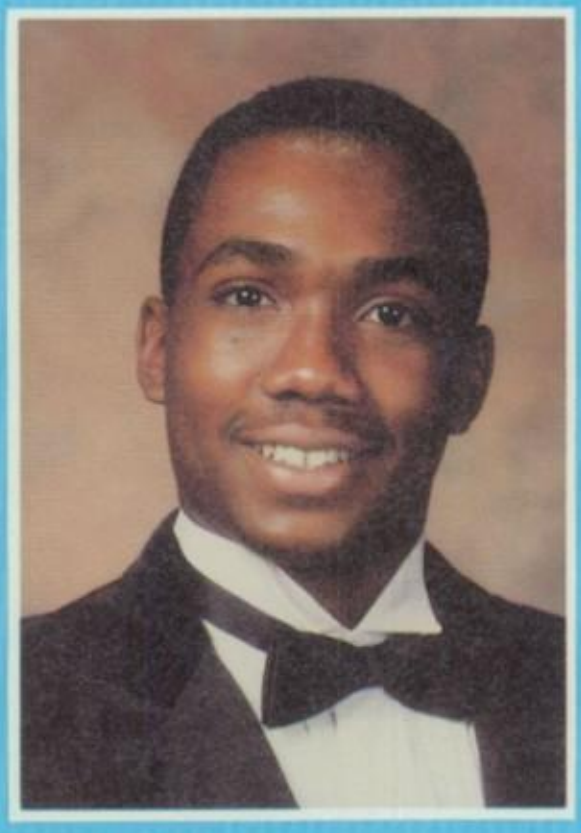

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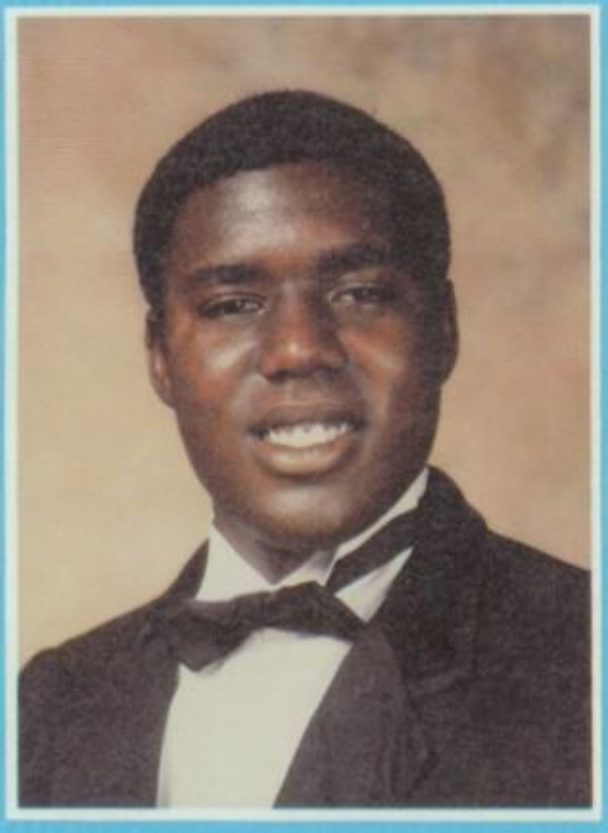

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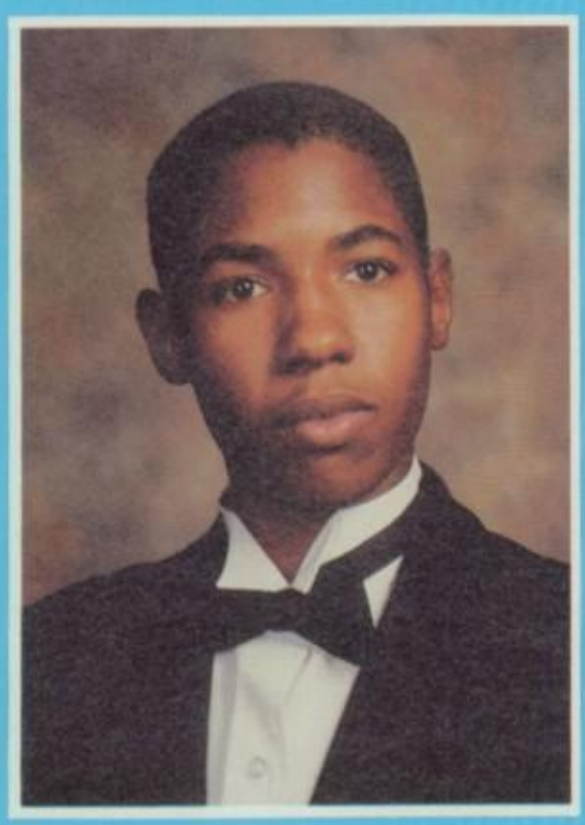

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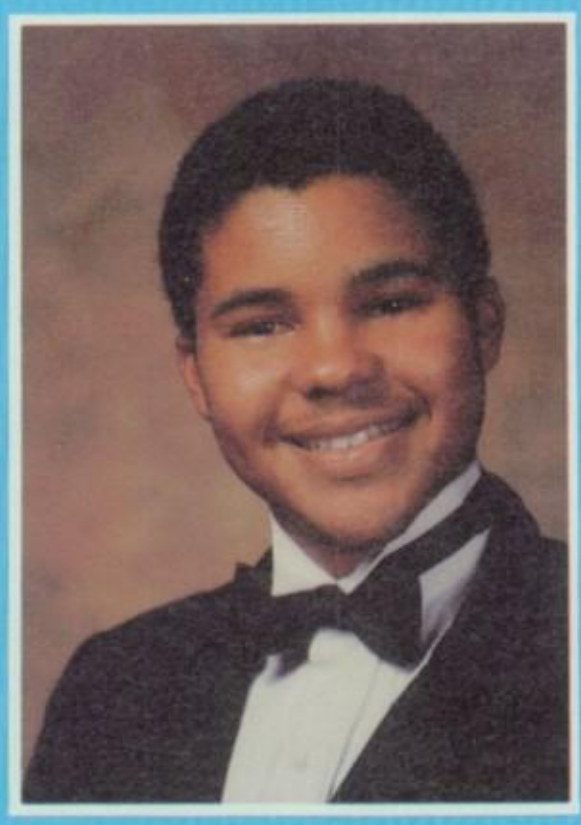

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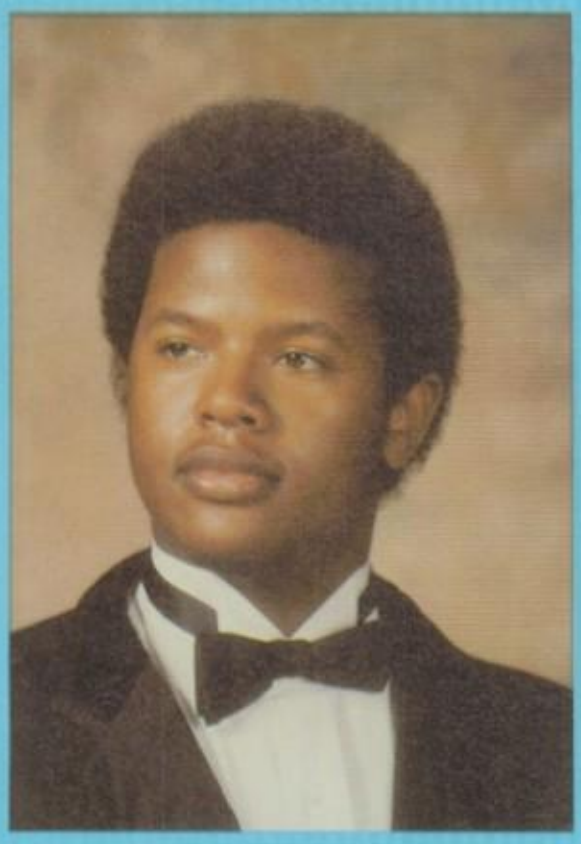

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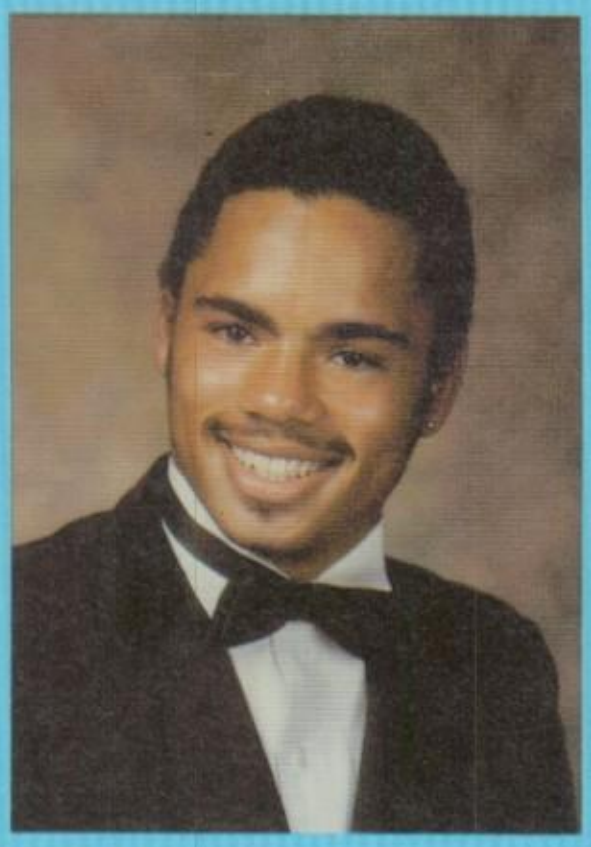

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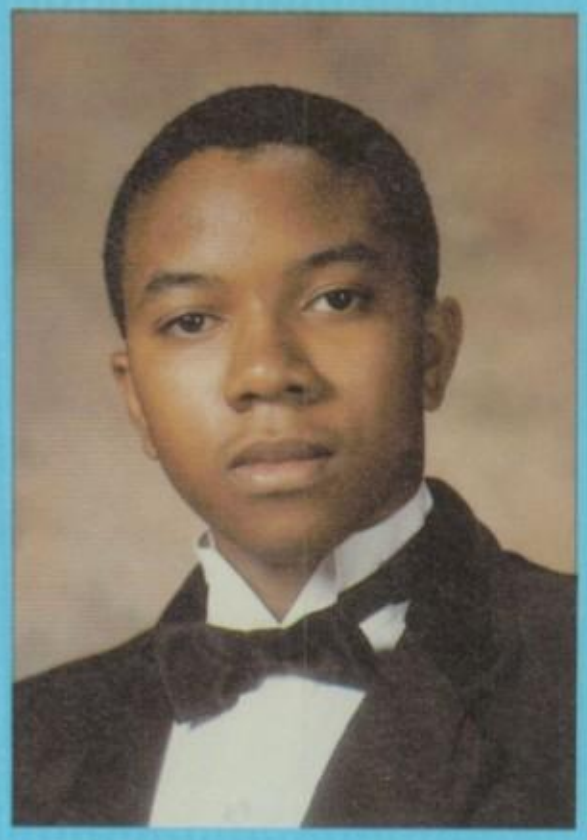

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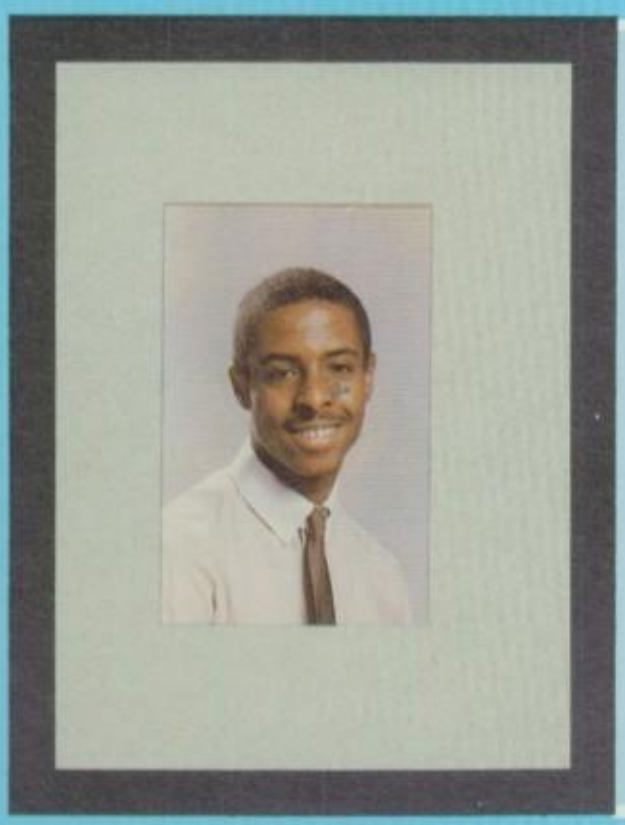
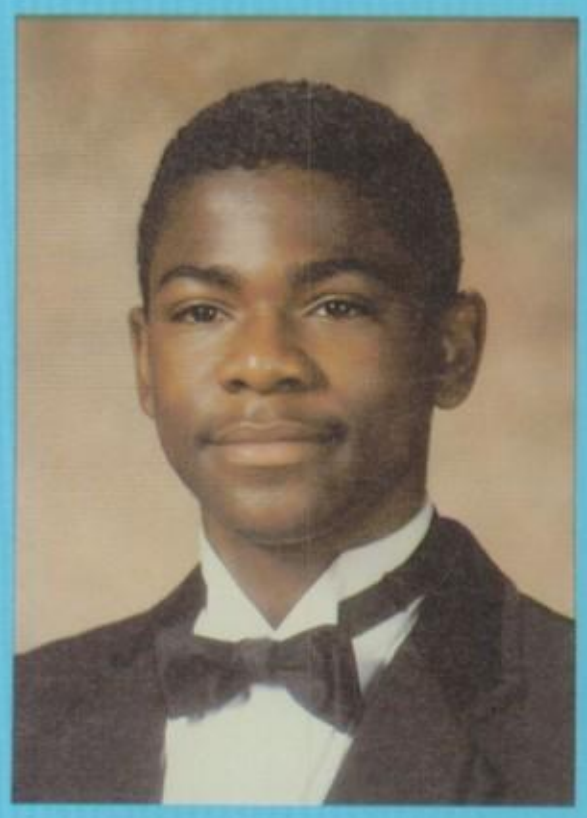


Hillard Smith: better known as "Sugar Man." Hillard may be a mere 5'4" but he has the heart of a giant. "Sugar Man" is a giver who is always there if you need him. He is an essential part of Serra Life. What distinguishes Hillard from the rest is his sensitivity toward his fellow Serra brothers. Hillard is a class act that cannot be duplicated. One could even say that Hillard is a person who helps bring the Serra Family closer together. Hillard's personality should carry him far in life.



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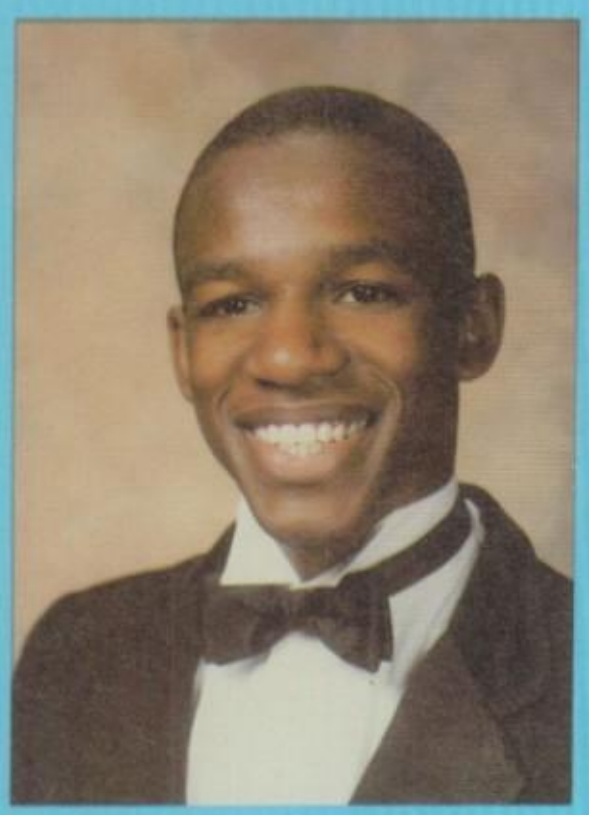

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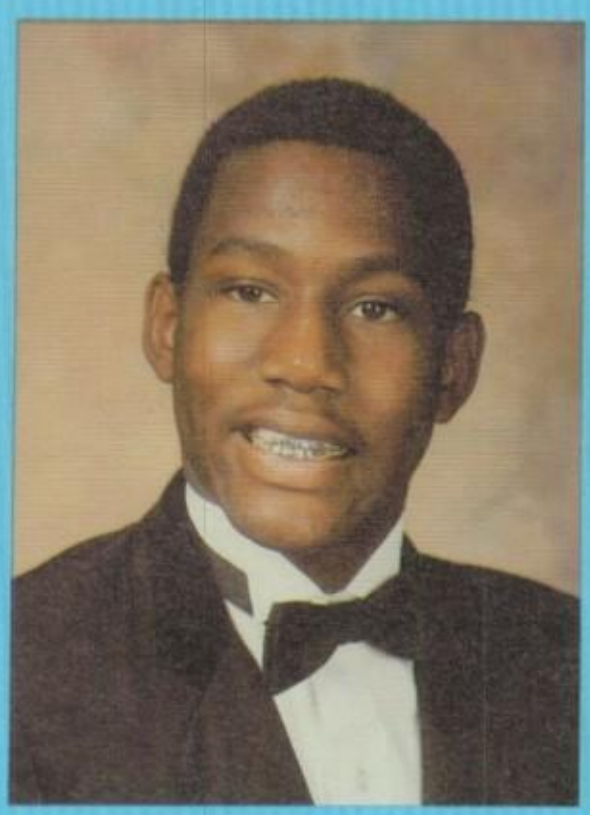

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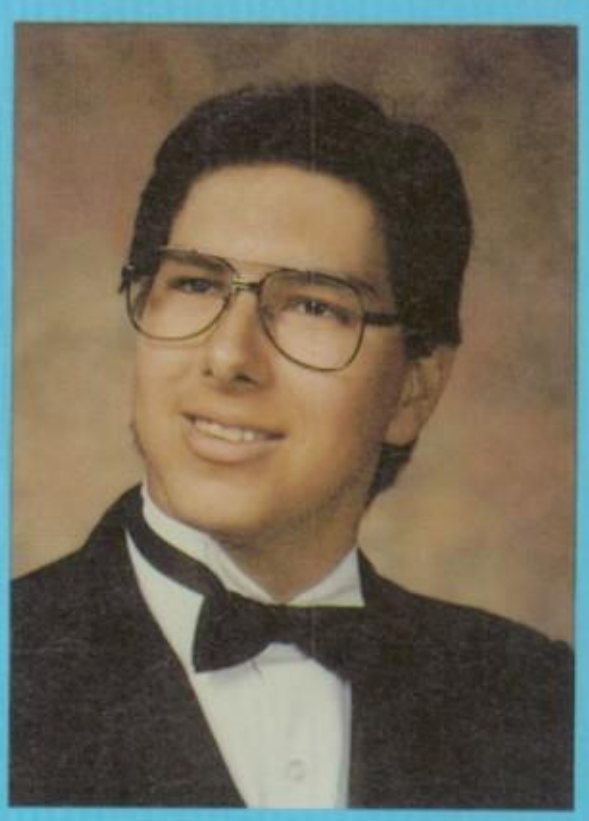

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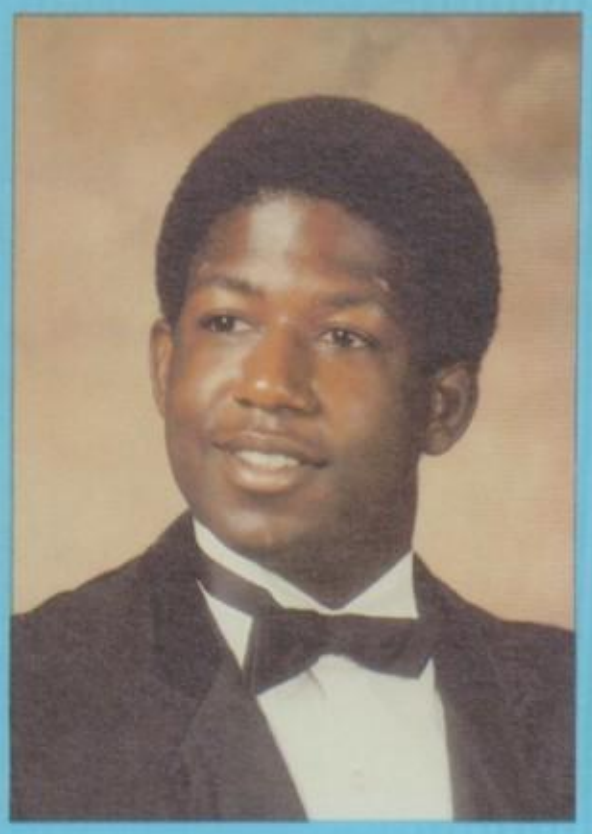

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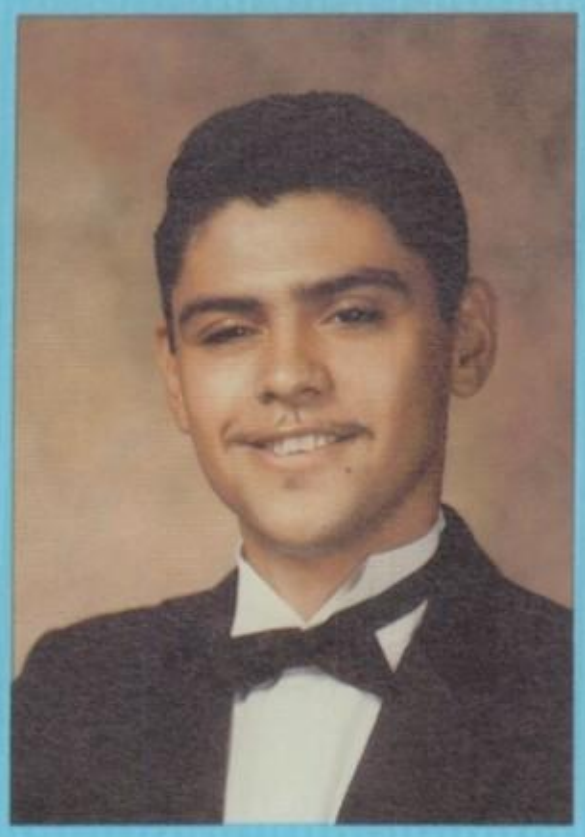

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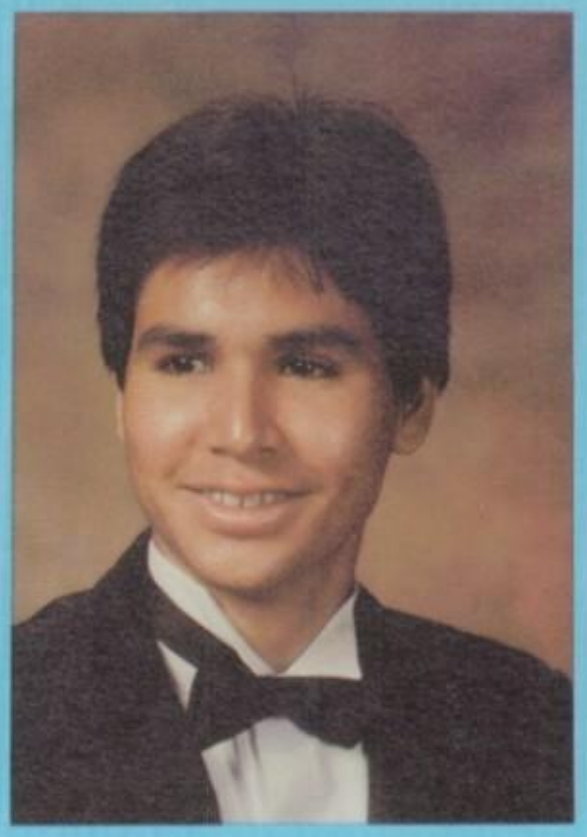

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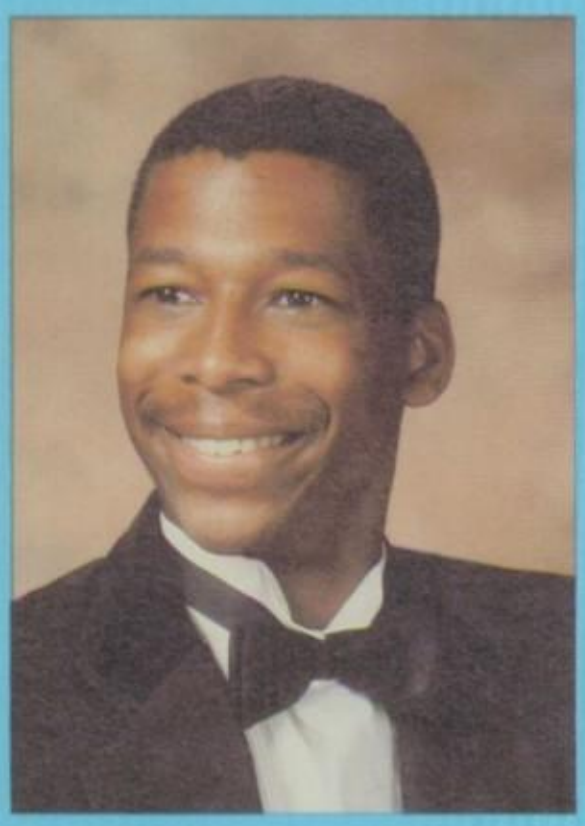
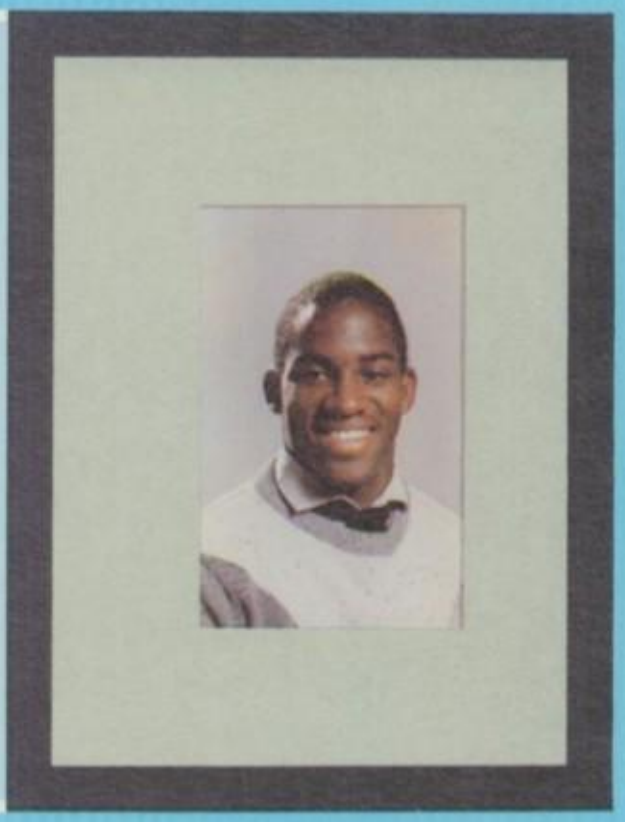
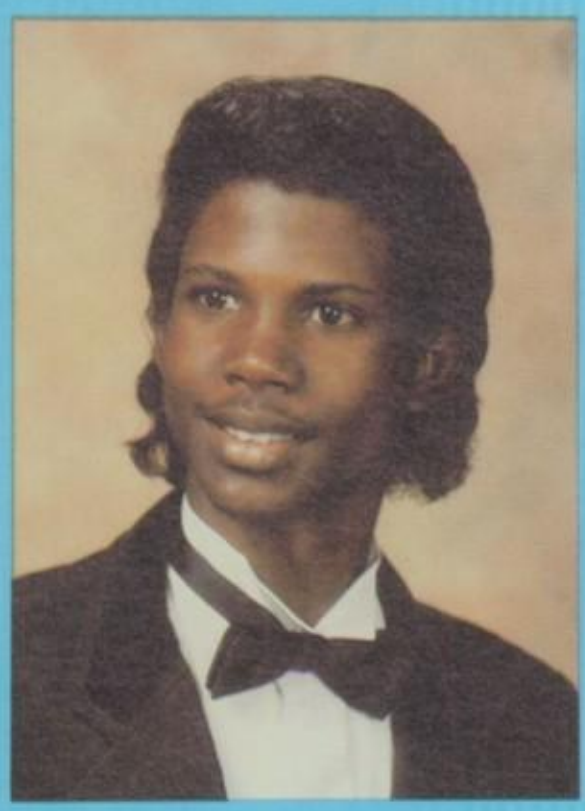


Glenn Shanklin

Serra High is not only known for their ability to produce ideal student-athletes, but also for their ability to produce mature leaders for today's society. William Kennard is a prime example of this type of leader. Not only is William a leader on the football field, he also is a leader in the classroom. Because of his mature attitude towards schoolwork, William has achieved academically and has been a member of Serra's Honor Roll since his freshman year. In addition to being a devoted friend, William offers help whenever needed.





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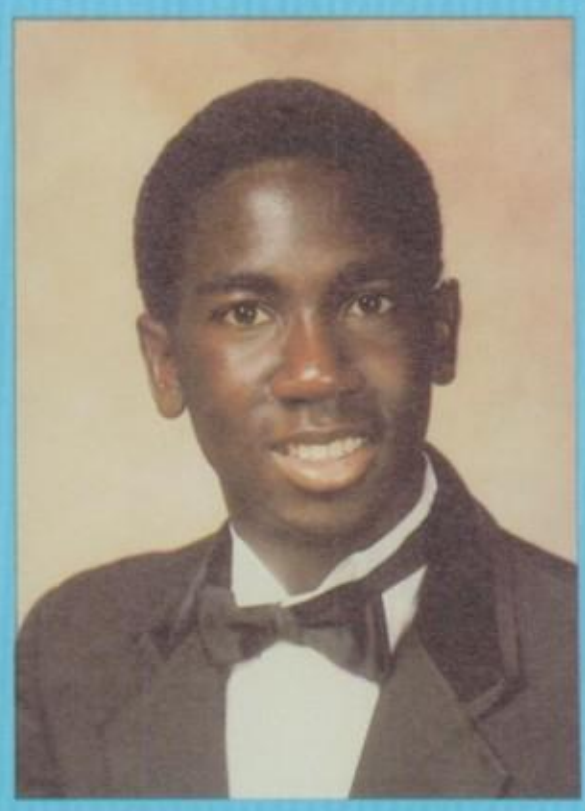

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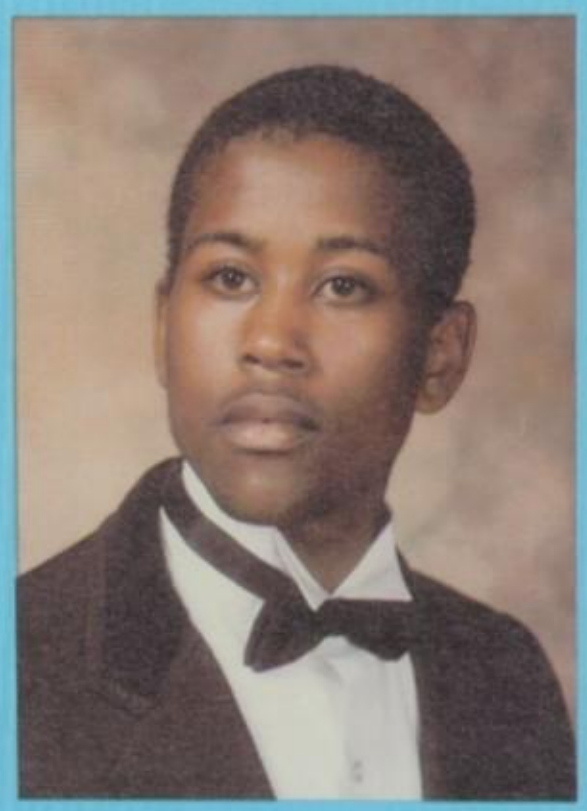

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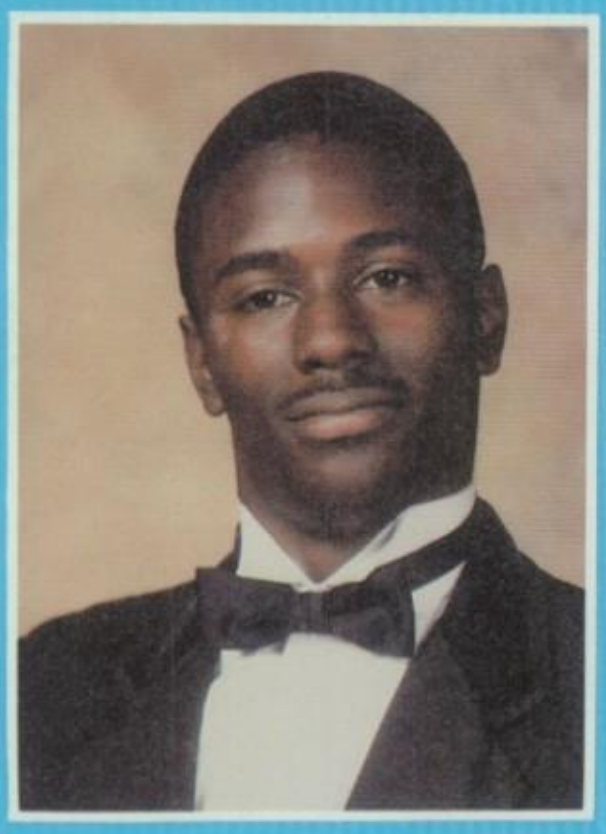

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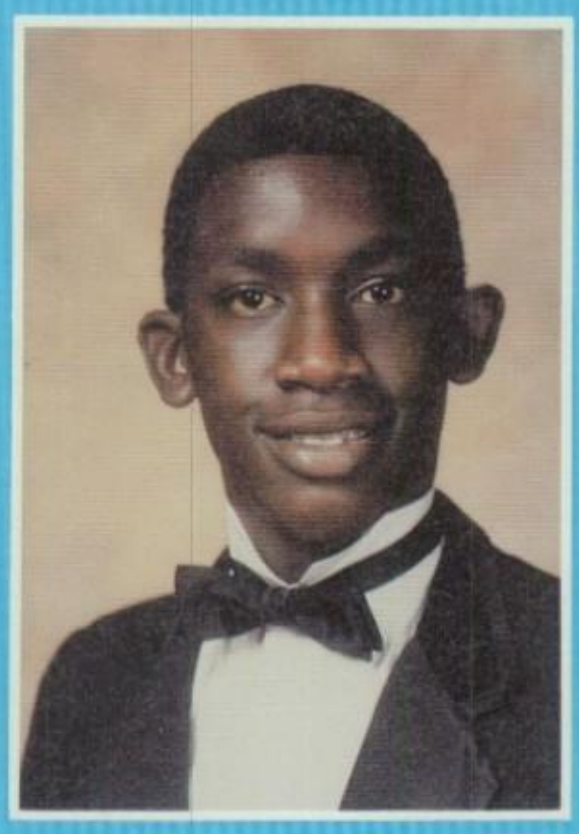

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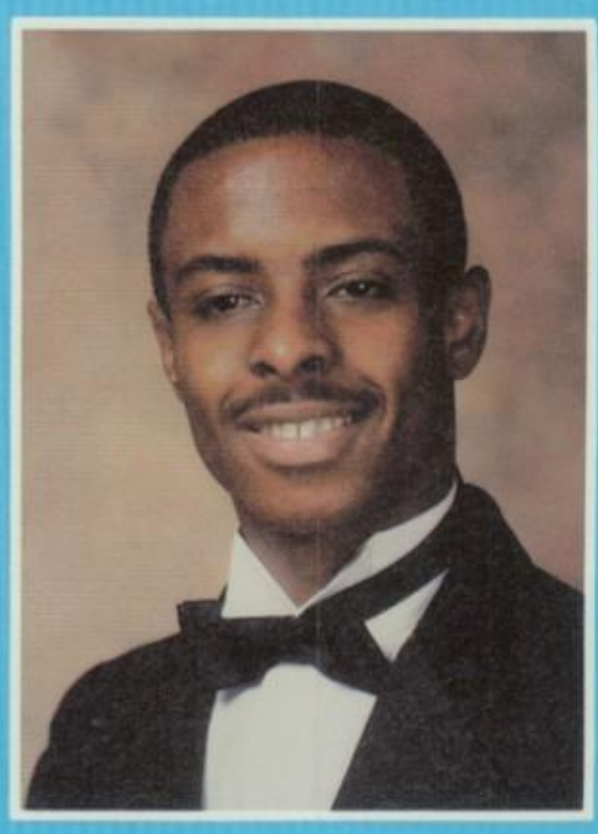

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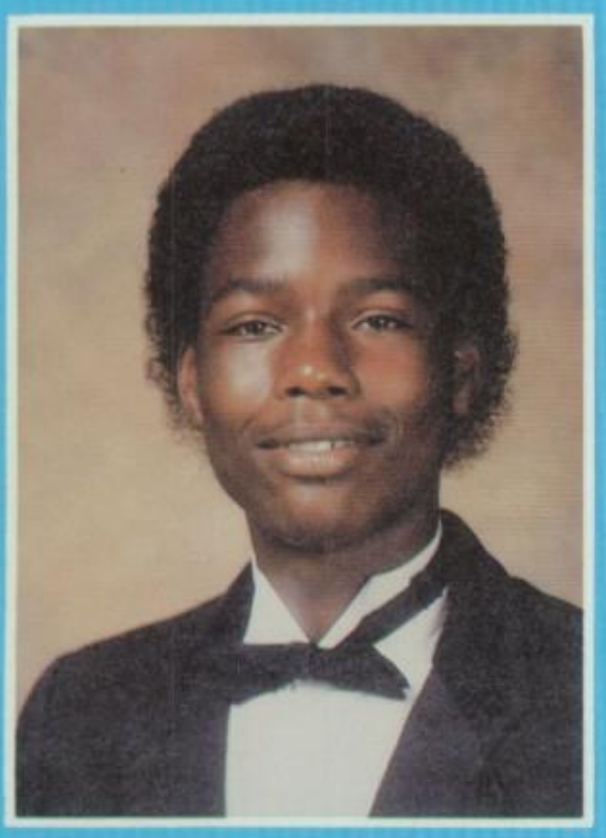

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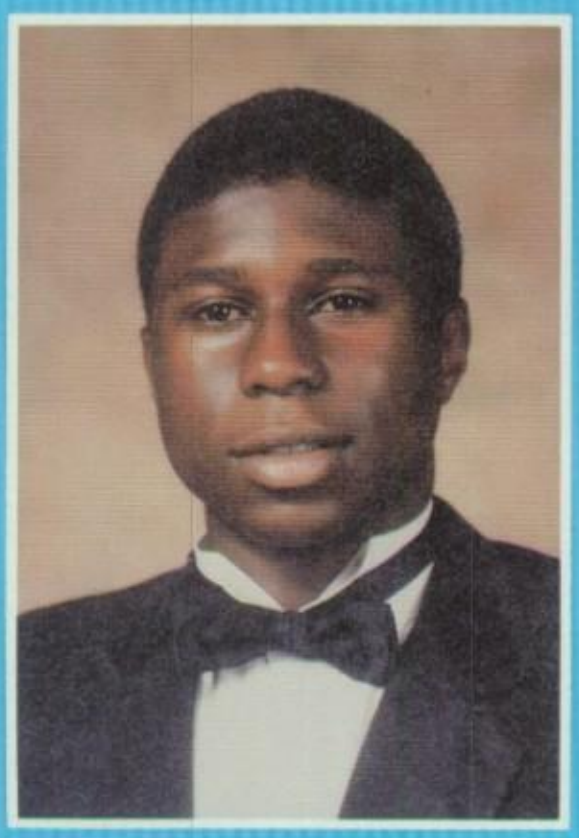

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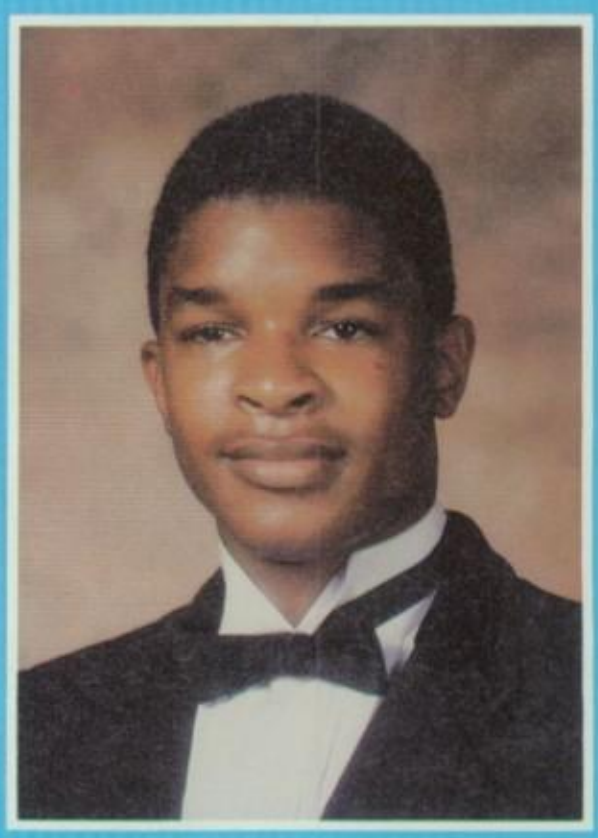

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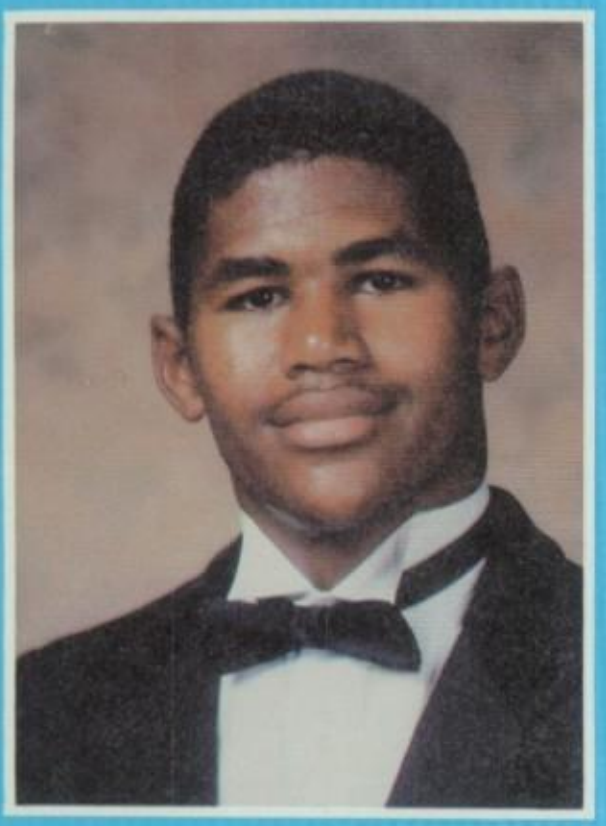
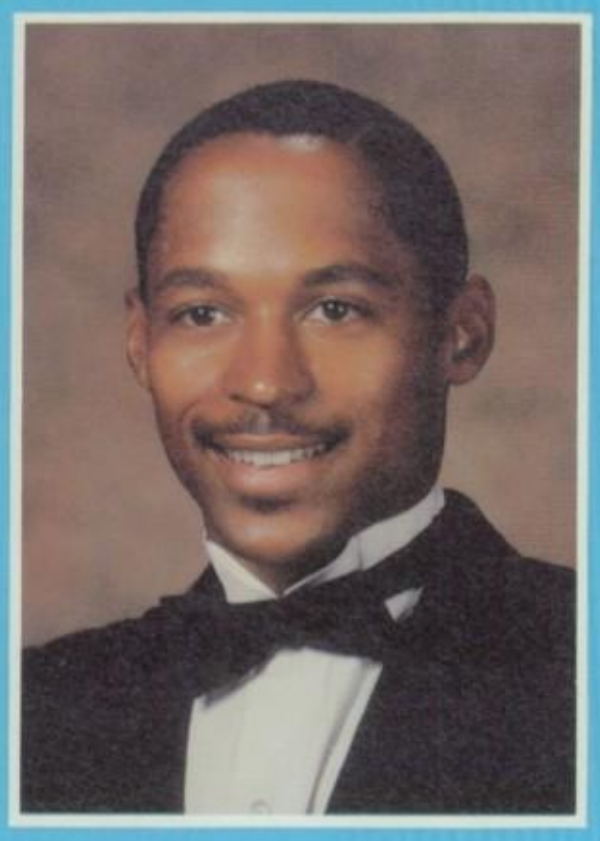


Michael Tave

"Those who use the tools of higher learning are the artisans of tomorrow's future."

-Anthony Floyd



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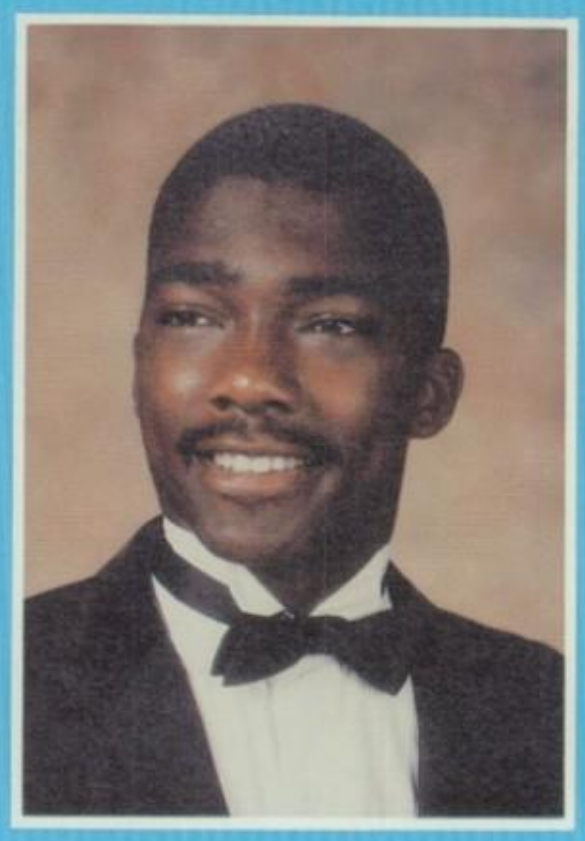

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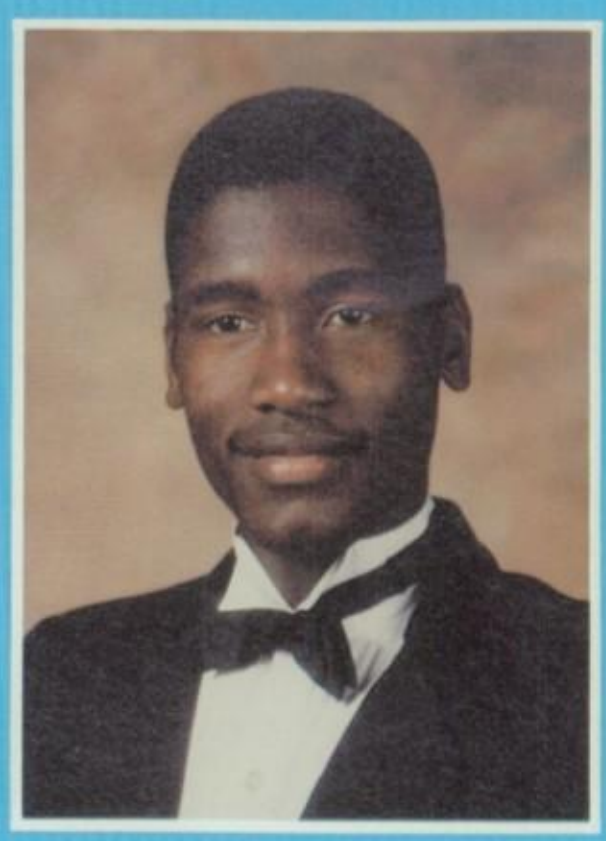

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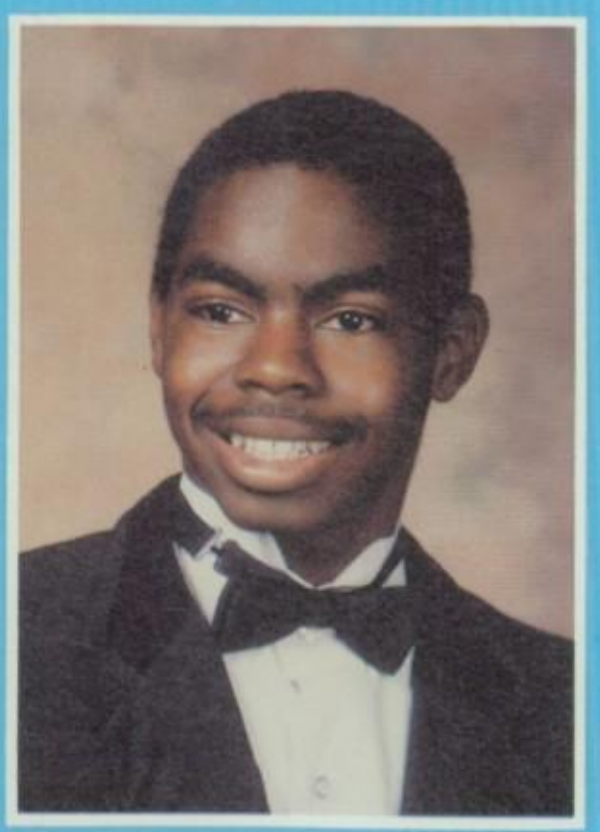

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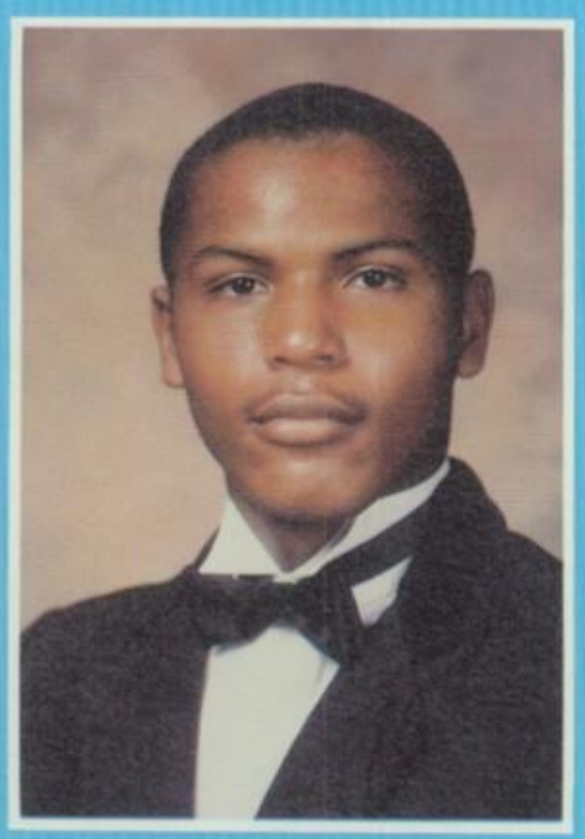

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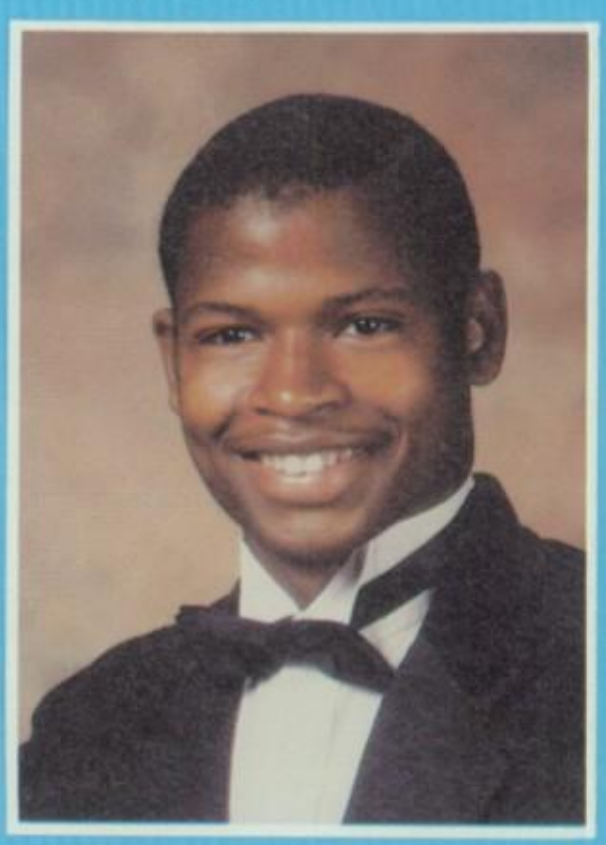

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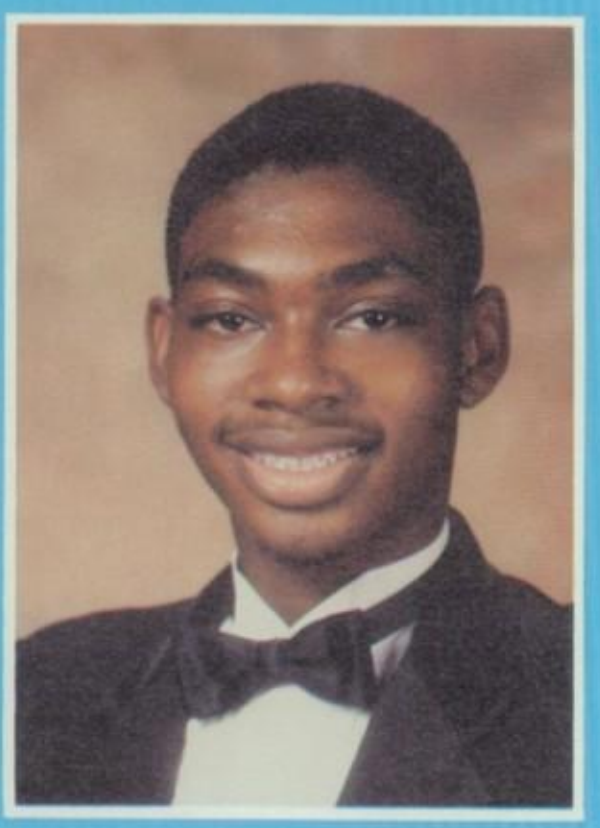


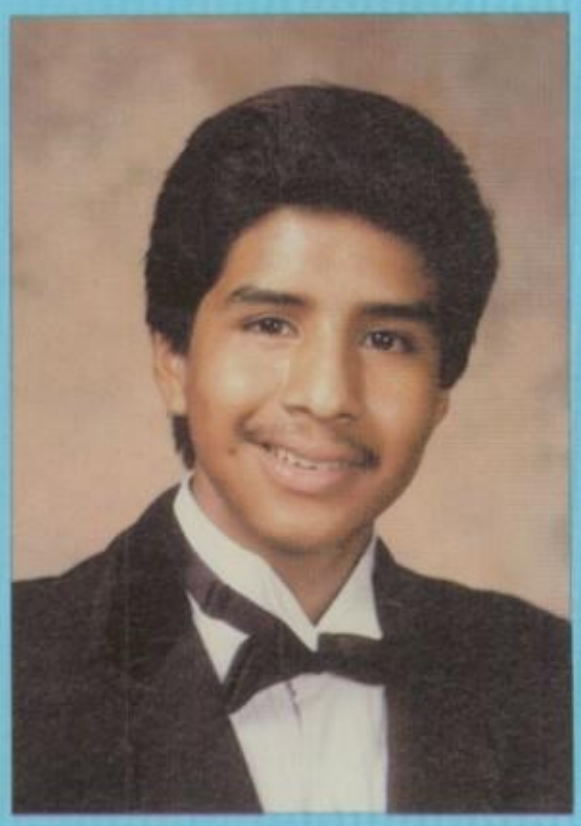
Craig Tyson

"A meaningful life is the product of endless suffering."

-Anthony Franklin

"The only tyrant I accept in this world is the 'still small voice' within."

-Gandhi



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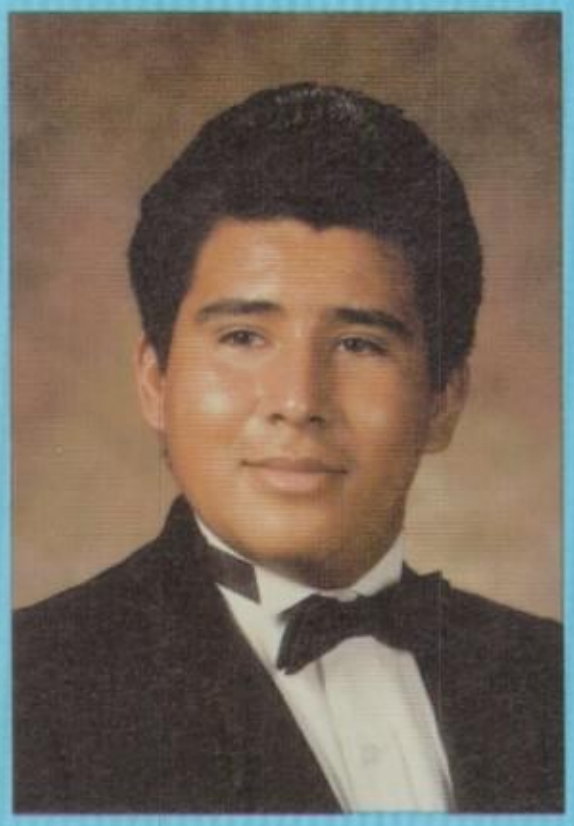

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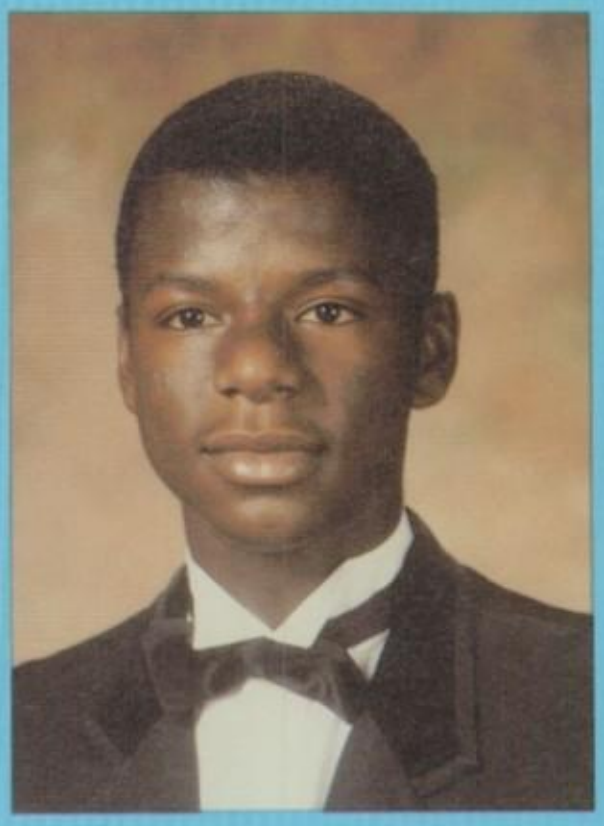

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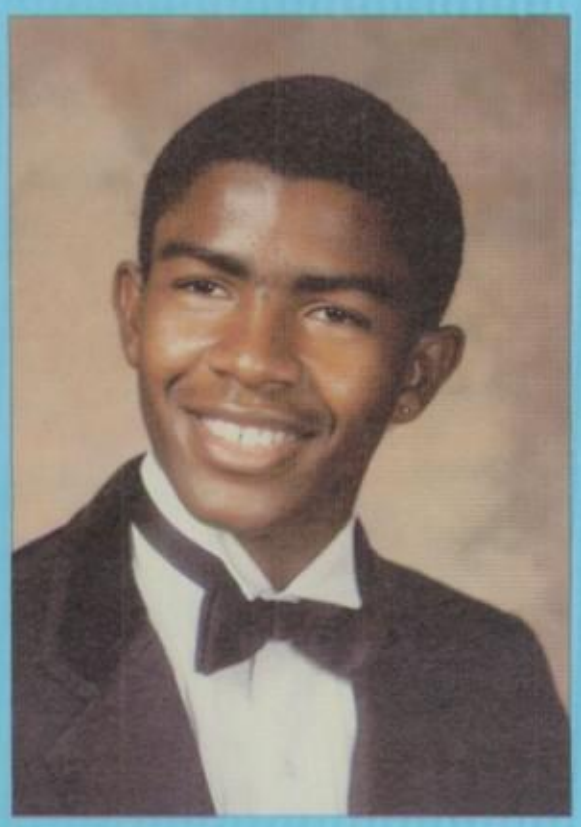

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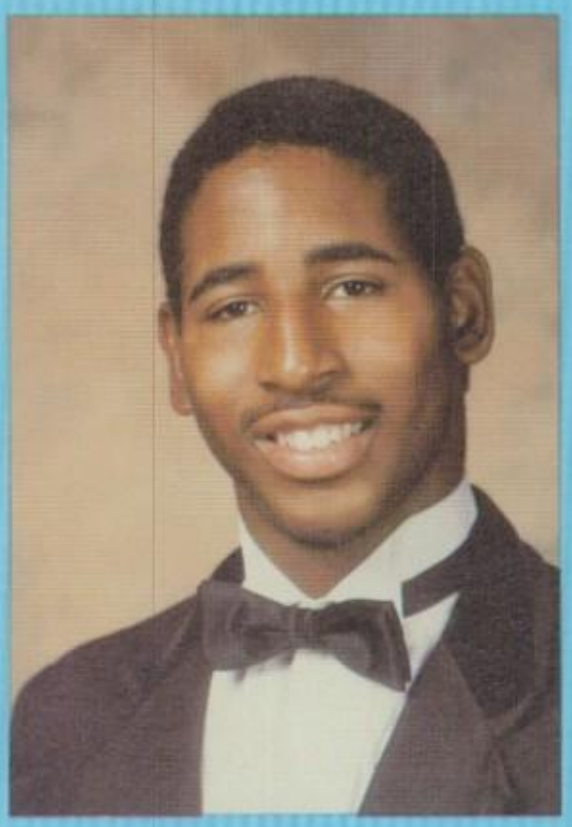

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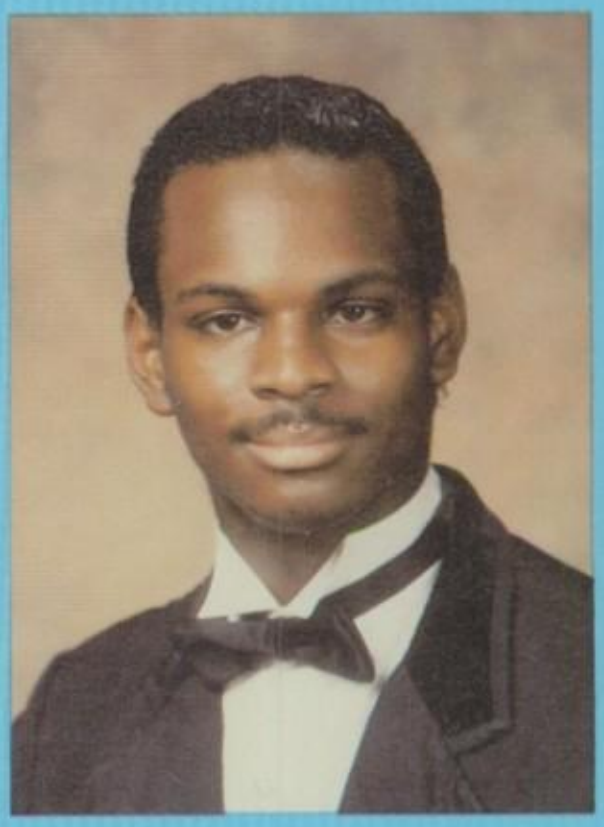
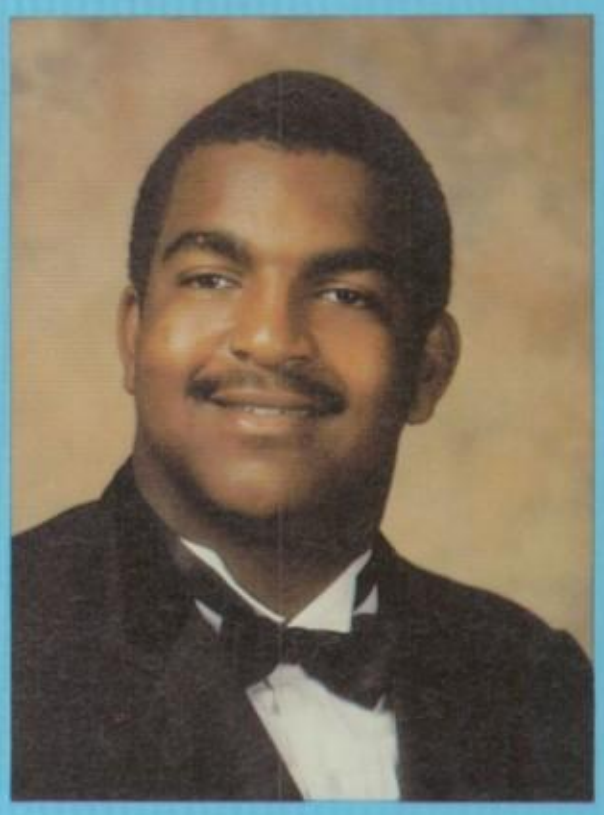


Philip Williams

Montell Jordan is a perfect example of a "True Serra Man." He uses his God given talents to the best of his ability. Who can ever forget his piano solos during mass or his comedy antics during the pep rallies. During school you can always count on his "shiny" smile to brighten up everyone's day. Everyone can also account on Montell running someone's bad joke into the ground. Montell's talents include drawing, singing and everyone's favorite "Beat Boxer." All of these talents should bring Monty J. a successful and exciting future.



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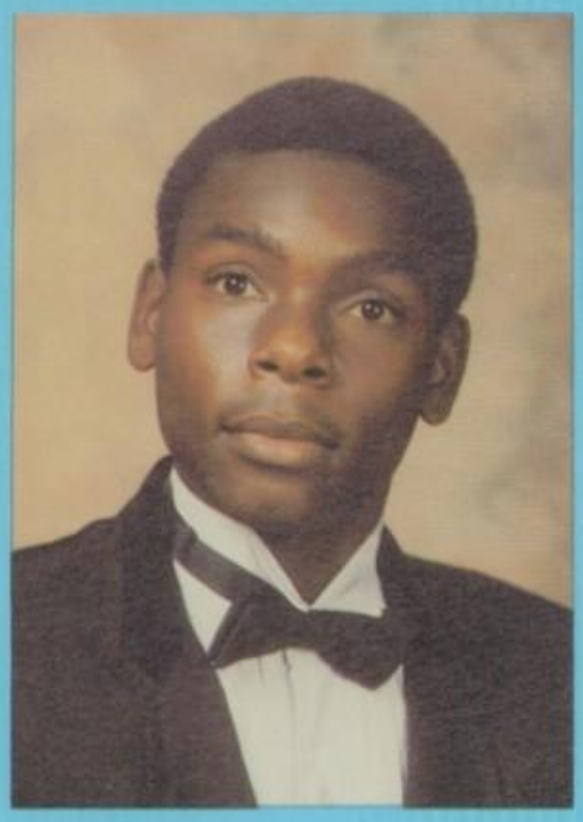

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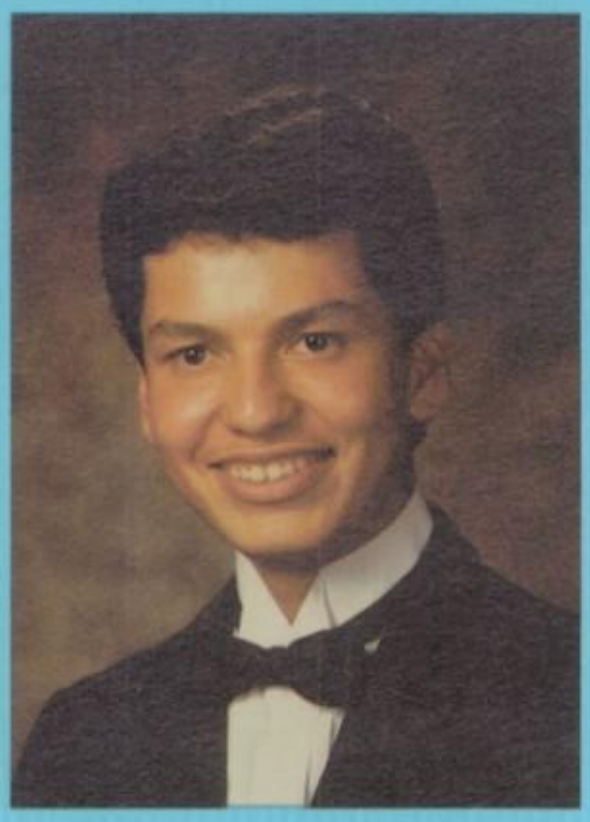

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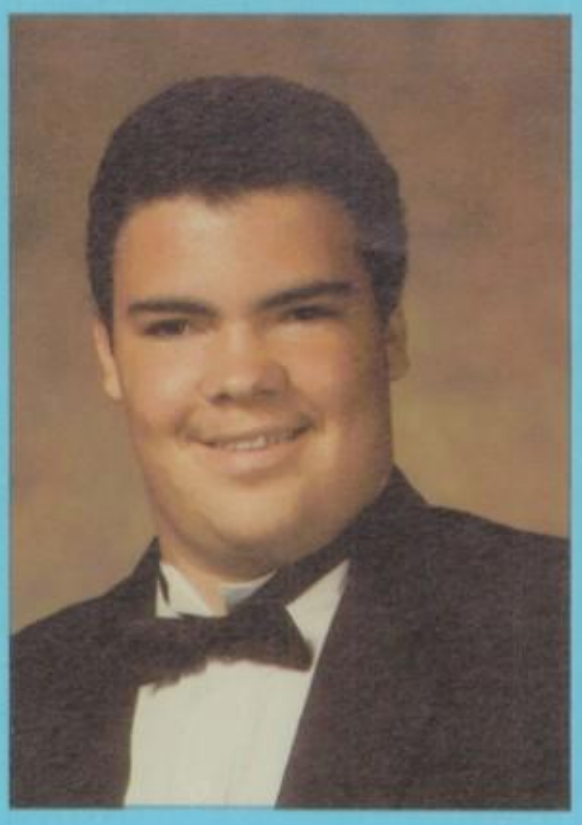
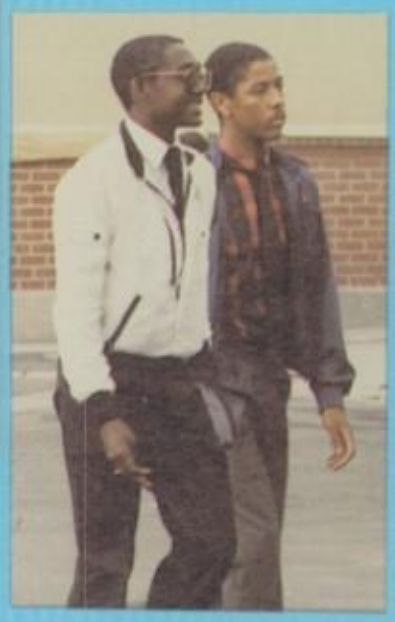
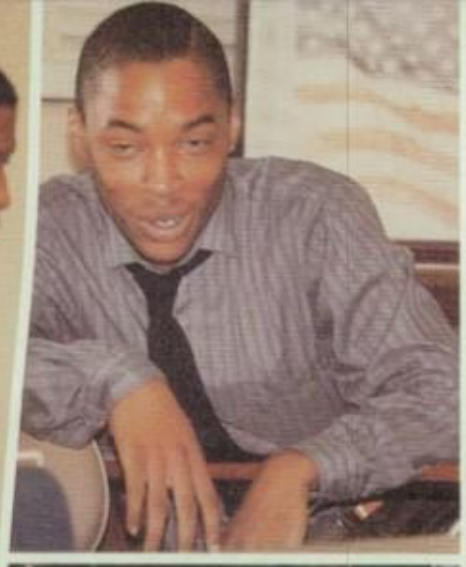


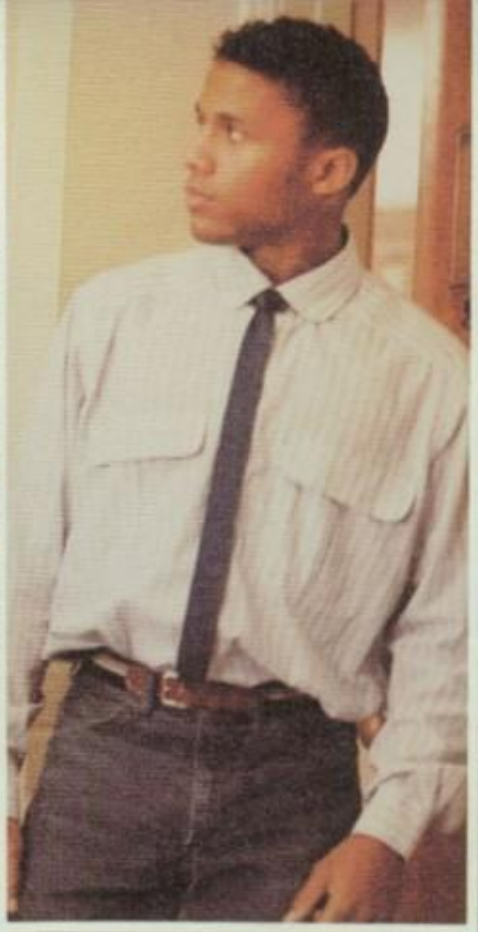
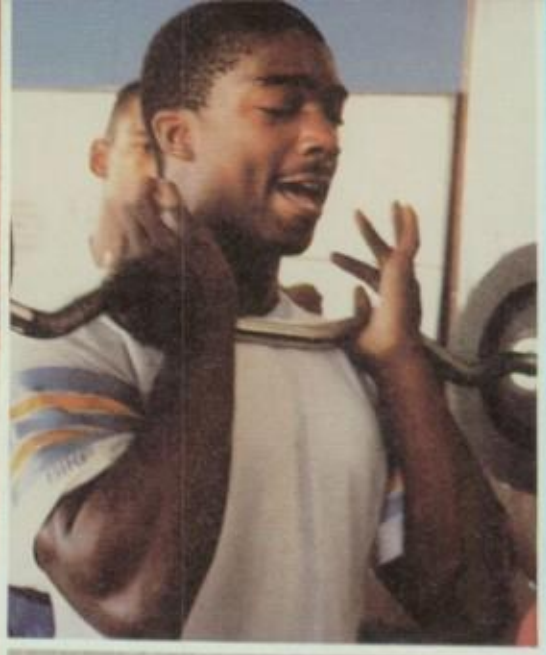
Terence LeDuff

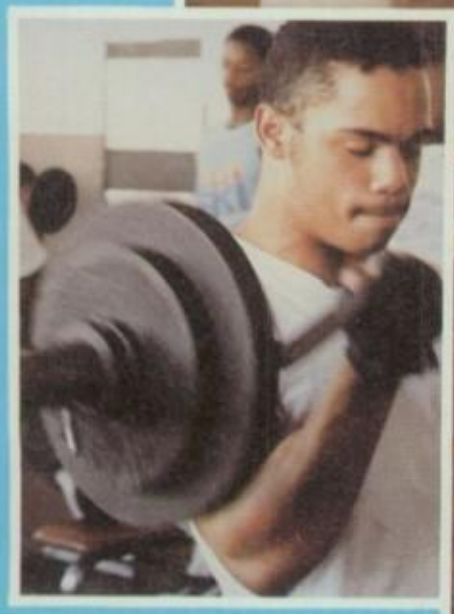
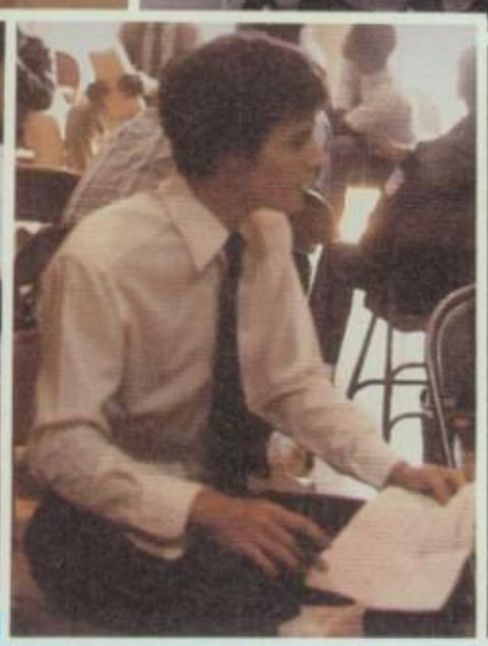
"The future is not a gift, it is an achievement"
-Robert Kennedy



"Each man writes his own epitath"
C.J.M.



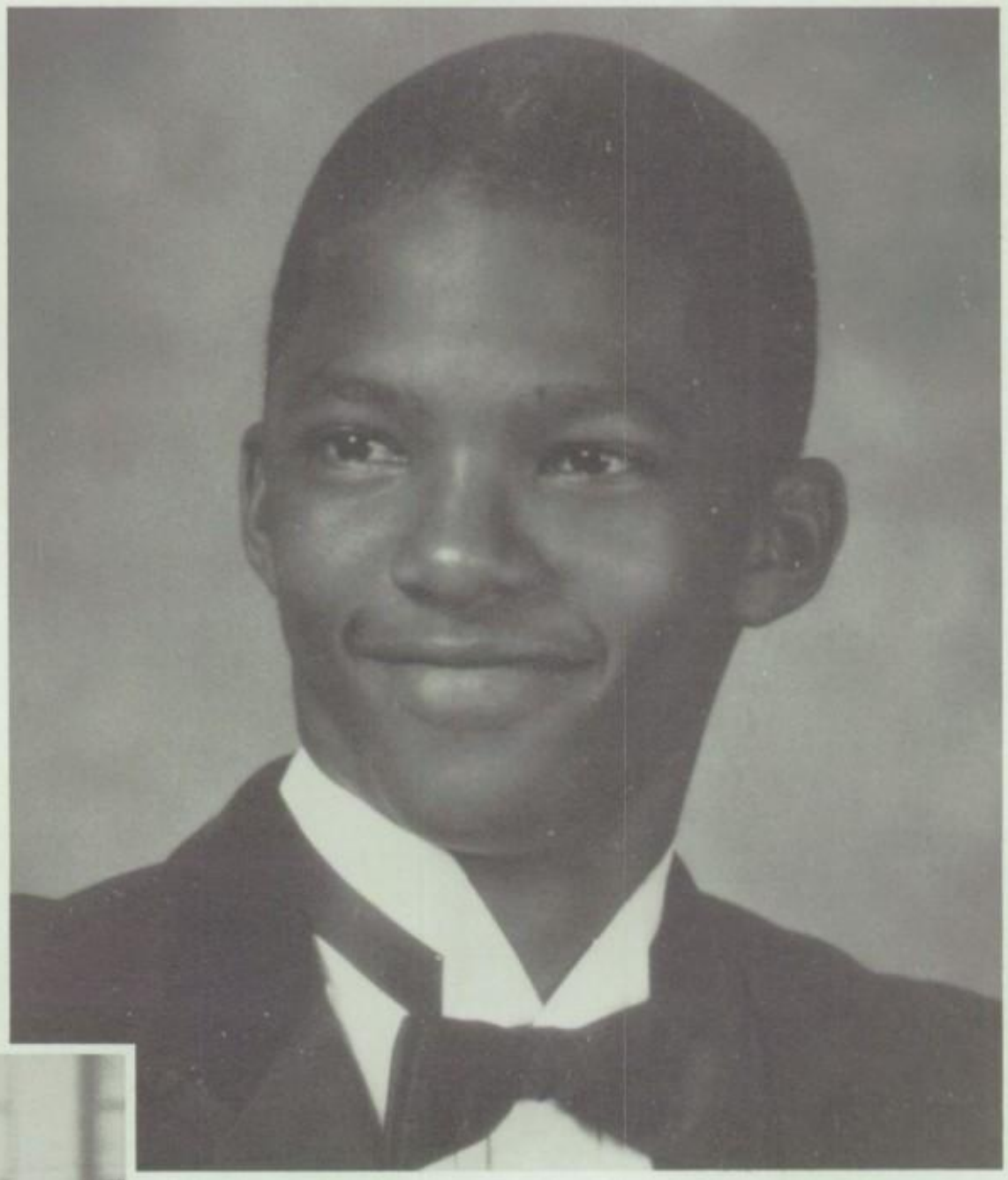
"If a person has a contribution to make, he must make it in public. If learning is not made public, it is a waste."

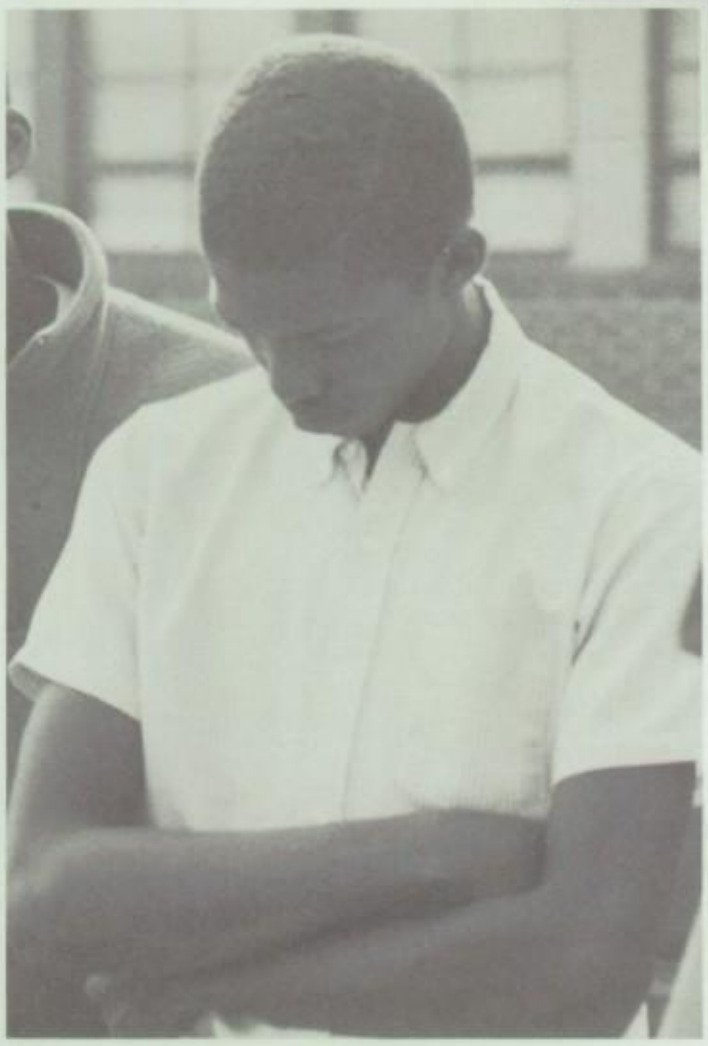
"There's something in us called the unconscious that we're completely unaware of. It practically dominates our lives, and we don't even know it."

"No one knows he is fortunate until he becomes unfortunate."

-Chaim Potok

Worthy Of Distinction





Anthony Franklin

Anthony Franklin personifies the concept of the Serra Man. Academically, at the top of his class, Anthony's dedication to his studies reflect his well thought-out priorities. As Student Body President and Editor of the yearbook Anthony both leads and serves Serra. No one put in longer hours than Anthony. Anthony understood that true leadership is 10% visible and 90% invisible. And lastly, Anthony manifests a magnetic personality. His friends genuinely look forward to his company, knowing that times spent with Anthony would be full of good laughs, a measure of insight, and a sensitive ear when you needed a concerned, reasoned comrade.

No one has a brighter future than Anthony Franklin.

Serra's Parents Club
1985-86

President

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Brenda Malone

1st Vice Pres.

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Rochelle Crudup

2nd Vice Pres.

Jimmy Aldridge

The parents gather to plan for the testimonial dinner.

The Parents Who Make A Difference

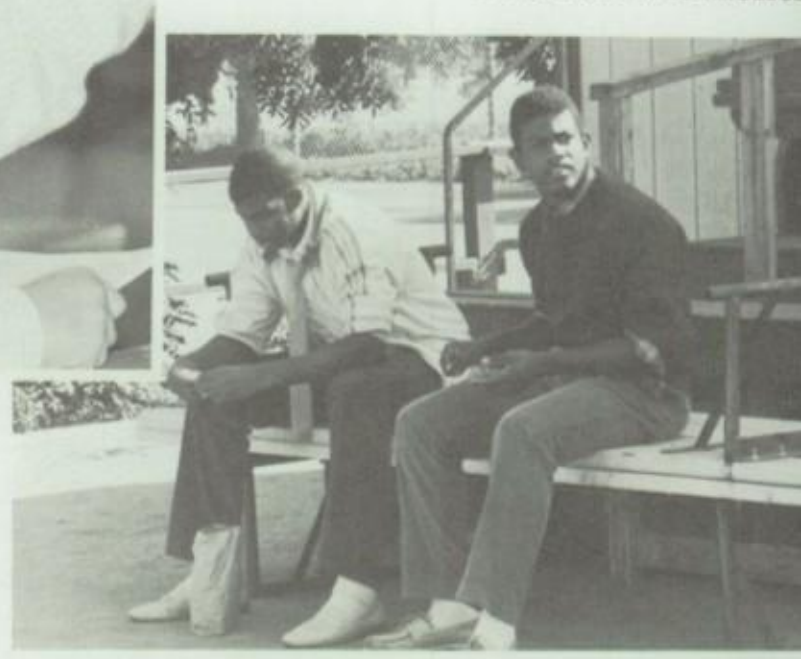
There are many parents at Serra High School who want to help make a difference on Serra's campus. But there are only a few who achieve this goal. This small dedicated group is known as the Parents Club. Under the committed leadership of the club president, Brenda Malone, as well as with the assistance of her two Vice Presidents, Rochelle Crudup and Jimmy Aldridge, the Parents Club has contributed more to Serra High School than the majority of students. The main purpose of Serra's Parents Club is to give support to all Serra activities, but especially to support and sponsor activities that will increase the financial revenues of the school which will eventually benefit the student body. Various school raffles, yearly candy drive, and Serra's successful Bingo nights are just a few activities that the Parents Club is credited with establishing and most importantly, successfully maintaining. It is apparent sometimes that the Parents Club is not always given the credit that they deserve, but the Yearbook Staff is now publicly commending the 1985-86 Parents Club for their help in making the difference.

Sharing Lives

The inquisitiveness

The energy

The idle moments

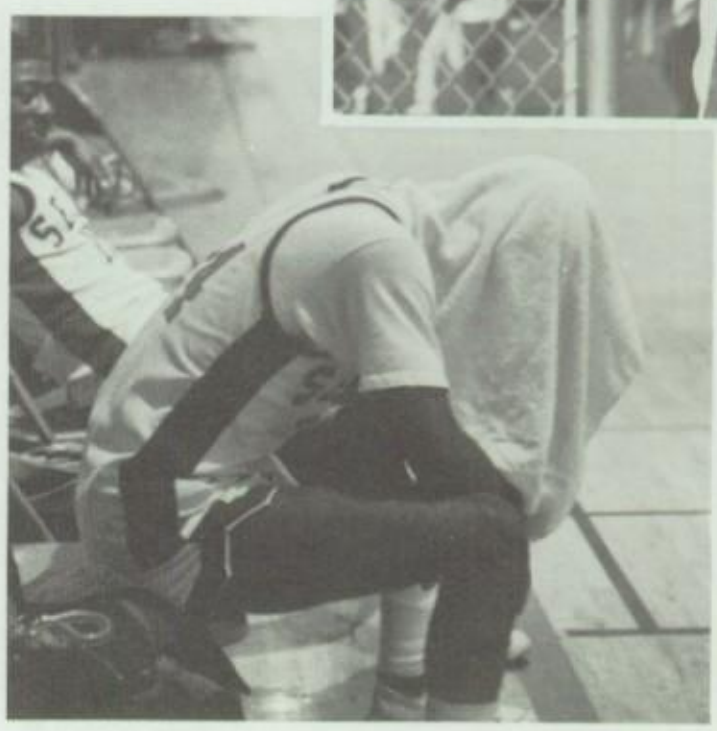


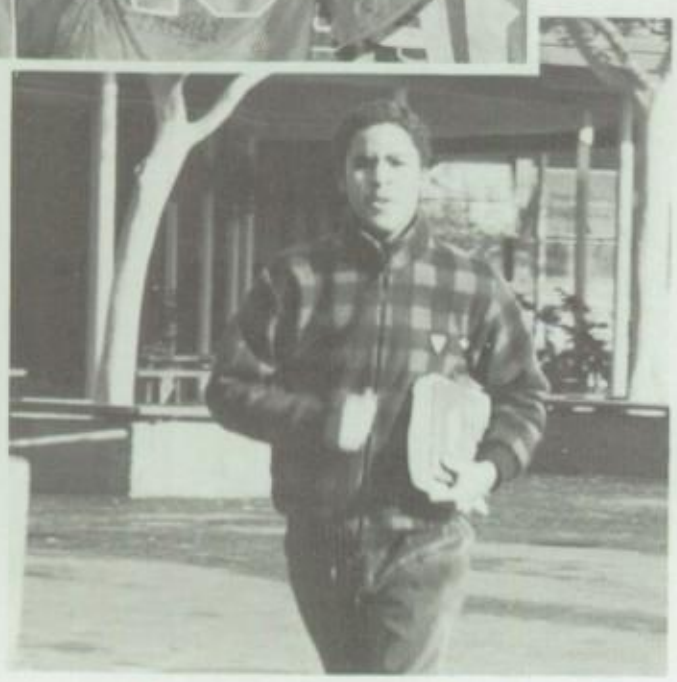
"To Serve Them All Our Days"

The wholesomeness

The giftedness

The achievement

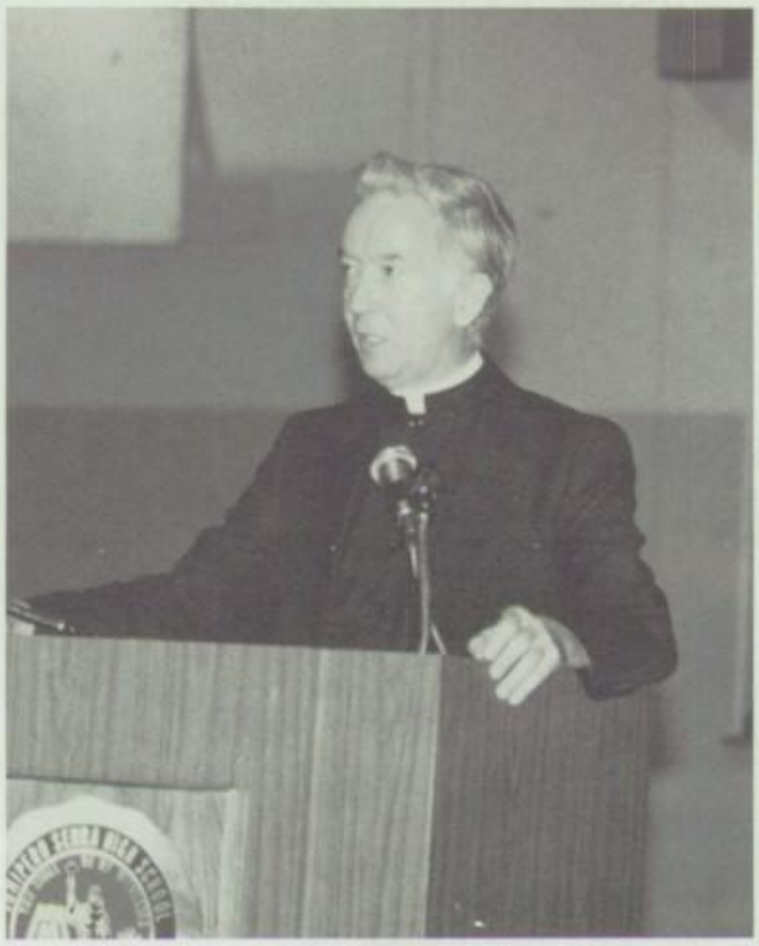




The purpose

The frustration

Administration



Father Pat

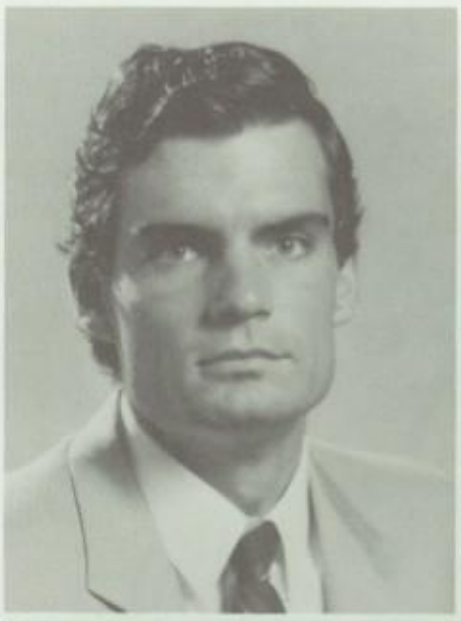
Fr. Patrick Philbin displays a character that makes him invaluable to the school. The energy he exerts in his preparation of classes show not only his emphasis on learning but serves as an illustration to the students of the importance of knowledge as a fundamental part of human existence.

His pride in Serra knows no bounds. His temper flares when students fail to support the teams or the activities. But his anger serves as motivational in building in the minds and hearts of Serra men attributes such as loyalty, honor, and self esteem, which they will use for the rest of their lives.

The loyalty and dedication Fr. Pat has for Serra is limitless. Many tiresome hours and sleepless nights are put into the betterment of Serra. It is for the betterment of the future that Fr. Pat works hard for Serra. dictatorship of society can be formed. It is for the betterment of the future that Fr. Pat works hard for Serra.

The leadership role that Fr. Pat takes on at Serra as principal is often thankless, but a far greater reward is achieved in the success of the Serra man as the Christian man who works to serves others.

Administration



Craig Mitchell

Craig Mitchell's persuit of academic excellence and behavioral discipline aid to the cultivation of gentlemen scholars throughout the Serra ranks. His dedication and participation in Serra's activities serve as an example to students and faculty alike of what can be achieved when one gives of himself for the betterment of others. As Vice-Principal, Mr. Mitchell exudes the qualities of discipline and well rounded excellence which serves as a sterling example for every Serra man.

Sr. Patricia Foster is a diligent individual who works to ensure every student the opportunity to achieve academic success. By carefully monitoring each students progress, Sr. Patricia can determine which students are in need of greater attention, a task which requires not only a good head for organizing, but patience and the desire to work for the betterment of others. These are qualities which Sr. Patricia exudes.

Sister Patricia

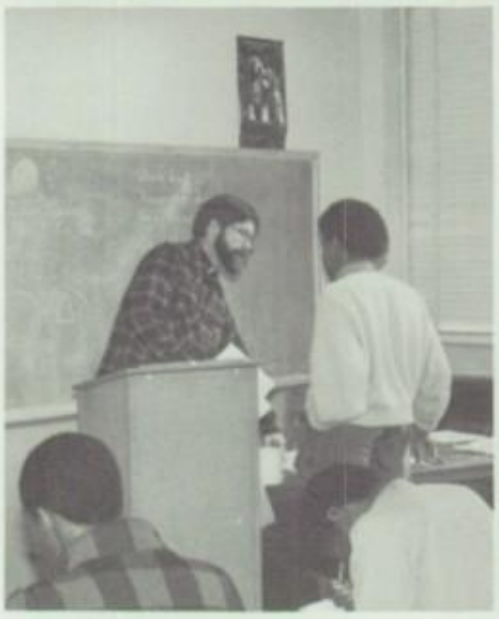
Administration

Dale Washburn

Dr. Dale Washburn insists on the Serra man being a well rounded individual. He demands academic excellence above all else, but places the same demands on the athletic performance of all who participate in team sports. He seeks the student athletes for his teams, in fact he demands them. As Athletic Director, his emphasis is on the team aspect of Serra high school. Indeed, he is an invaluable asset to the Serra team.

Fr. Mark Neary serves as the primary focal point in the Christian dimension of Serra high School. His never ending task is to bring the meaning of Christ into the hearts of Serra men, and this stems from his very calling to serve others. As Chaplin of Serra High, the job of making Serra men into Christian men is a burdensome one, but Fr. Neary's dedication and patience enable him to excell in a seemingly impossible task.

Father Mark



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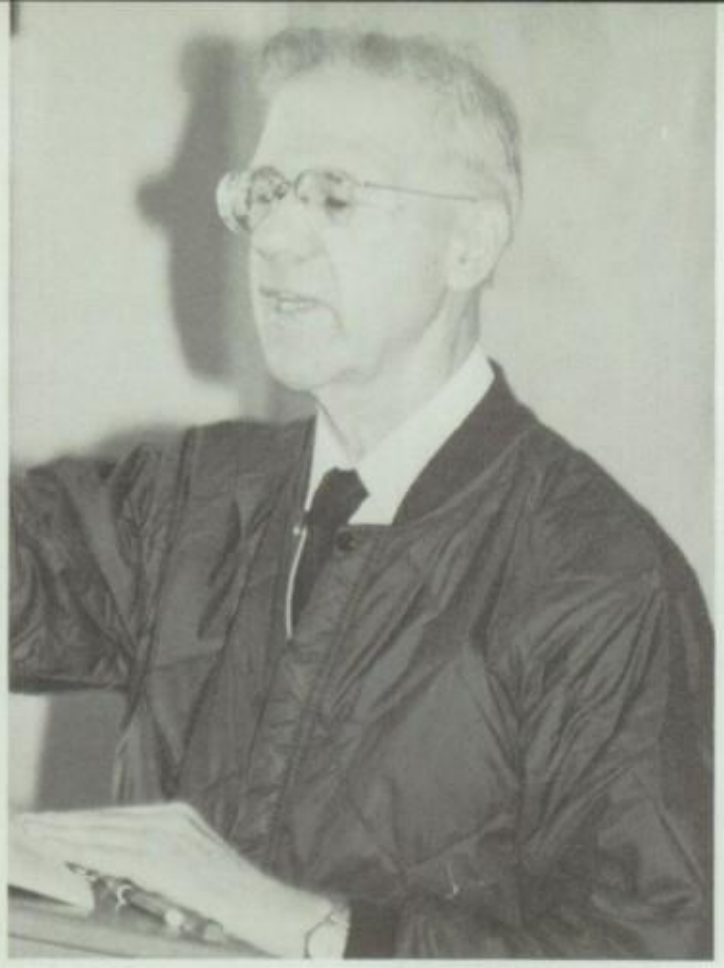
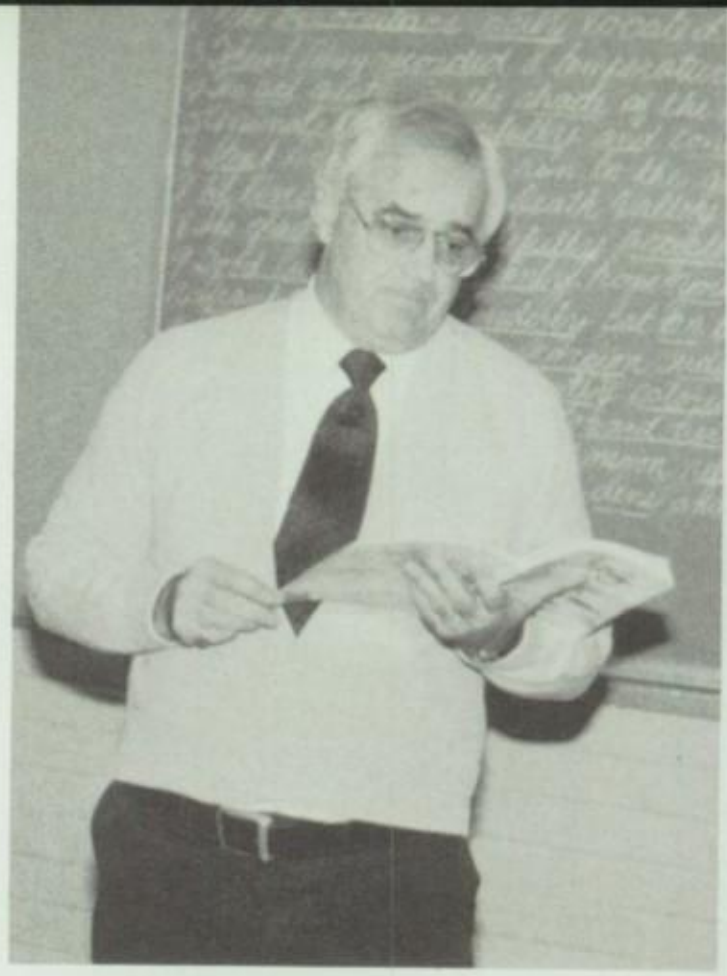
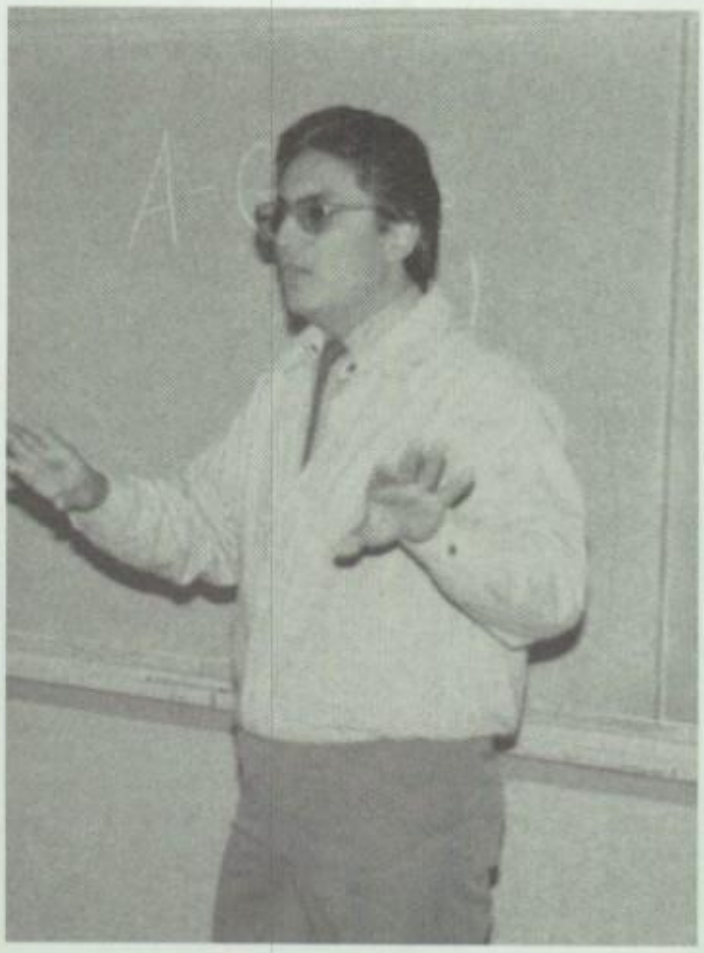


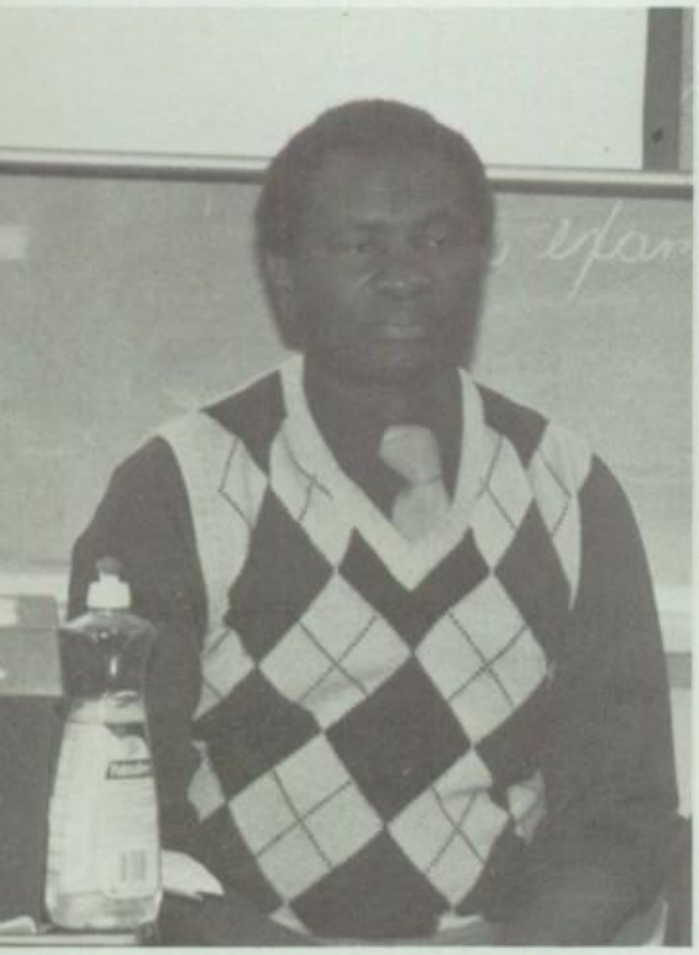
Bro. Charles Boglitz
English
"For me Serra is different from other schools where I have taught in that the students are very friendly and of a forgiving nature."



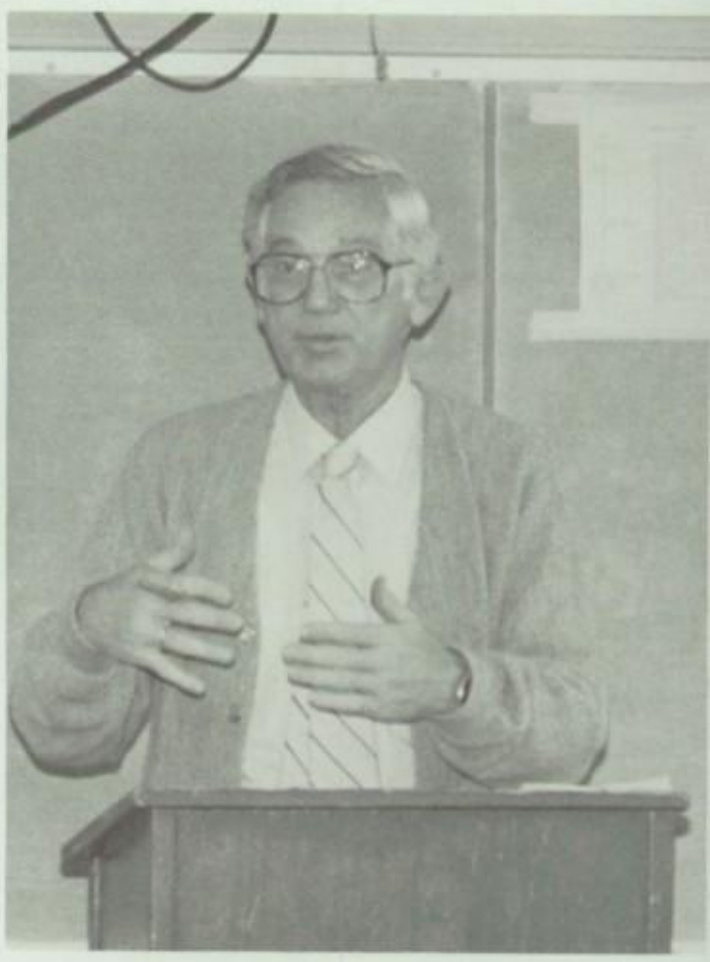
Dr. Charles Bunker
Reading & English
"The differences afforded here at Serra are that: (1) I was hired by the administration to do a specific set of tasks and then given the space and time in which to accomplish those tasks (2) I am supported by that same administrative team in such a way that the paths to those task accomplishments are kept open and free, and, (3) I am supported and encouraged to experiment with new approaches and new techniques without the hiderances of bureaucratic 'administrivia' that usually accompanies such experimentation. For a teacher such as myself, Serra and the 'Serra Family' afford a sort of 'Eden revisited'."



Mr. Lalo Diaz
Spanish I&II
"Serra is having a place to be yourself."



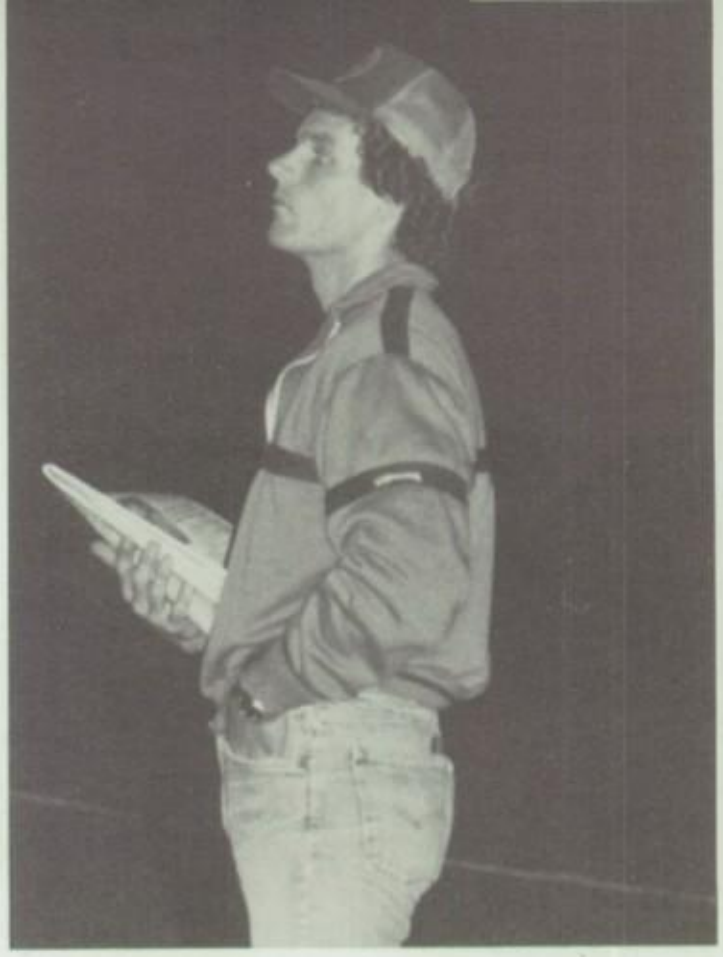
Mr. George McDaniel
P.E., Health, Algebra I-I, Phys. Sci.
'Set your goals high, walk through life with your head up, fearing nothing or any one. God knows what He is doing with you. Never find time for the sorry bag. Let every experience be a growth experience."



Bro. Urban Naal
World Studies & Ethics
"When I tell others about Serra, I always mention how warm and friendly the students are and how dedicated the teachers are. These are what makes Serra special."

Faculty

Ms. Mary Jane Boyd
English & Geometry
"Serra High School for me is the difference between caring about people in this world, rather than simply existing with them."



Mr. Peter Feeney
Ethics
"Two things have strongly impressed me about Serra in this, my first year: The emphasis the school places on imparting values and the seriousness with which the majority of students approach their studies."

Ms. Melinda Ramirez
Ethics & Art
"Teaching here has offered me a chance to share knowledge that I consider very important and exciting with the people whose lives it will affect in the future."

Mr. James Crowell
Biology & Algebra
— And in his Law he studies day and night. He shall be as a tree which planted grows by watry streams, and in his season knows to yield his fruit, and his leaf shall not fall, and what he takes in hand shall prosper all. —
From Psalm 1, Milton

Sr. Jane Marie Callahan
Librarian

Marty Plourde
English
"For all we've been; for all we are; for all we will become; Thank God!"

Brother Richard Britton
Ethics
"This year has been an unforgettable experience of working with black students for the first time in my teaching career. My spread of emotional reactions has ranged from complete frustration to the peak of exhilaration. Serra is the MOST!"

Bob Fleming
Baseball Coach
"Watching our young men become better ball players and working towards college and professional career's."

Faculty

Mrs. Elaine Dudley
Typing & Accounting

Joann Kennelly
Algebra & Computers
"This year has been one of appreciation for people-for the teachers and staff with whom I work-for the students-for the parents that I've gotten to know. Appreciation means a different culture that I find fun. It means people who care and reach out and become a part of your life. It means teaching and sharing what I know and learning a whole lot from the people I work with everyday. It means a computer lab which I find exciting, stimulating and a pain in the ass. 1985-86 has been a year of quiet growth and it's been . . .!!!"

Dr. Betty Kern
Physics & Chemistry

Mike Larranaga
Spanish
"To me a difference worth remembering is the challenge of trying to educate 160 students in a foreign language. These students that come from a variety of social-economic, and religious background, if 10% succeed, in mastering some of the foreign language, I thank God for His Gift to them."

Sister Eileen Rath RSHM
Reading Assistant
"To me, the faculty, staff, and students of Serra High School exemplify acceptance and friendliness always."

Gwen Patin
Government, Biology
"The key to life and its involvement is committment. Love one another."

Faculty

Norman Felix
Phy. Sci., Alg. I-I
"The theme for this year's yearbook is very relevant, A Difference Worth Remembering. Serra, for me, is A Difference Worth Remembering. It is my first High School Teaching appointment away from home. It's quite a difference from what is rumored about schools here. It's religious, it's disciplined, it's sociable. All in all, it's a home away from home."

Mr. Milton Simpson
Pre-Calculus
"As a Serra alumnus, I see Serra as a factory, albeit not exclusively blue-collar, churning out educated, disciplined young black men to strengthen the black community, as well as the Serra Tradition."

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Mr. Gregory Ruel
P.E., Health, Computers,
Algebra
"The hard work of the boys at Serra, together with a dedicated faculty, has made me realize the true meaning of the word family in the school setting. For this I am grateful and hope I have made a difference in their lives and what the future brings to them."

Jerome Thierry shows a friendly smile.

Staff

The kitchen crew prepares a grourmet meal.

There is one very small select group of people here at Serra who go virtually unnotticed or just unappreciated. These people, the members of the Serra staff, deserve much more recognition than they get for their steady, trustworthy work.

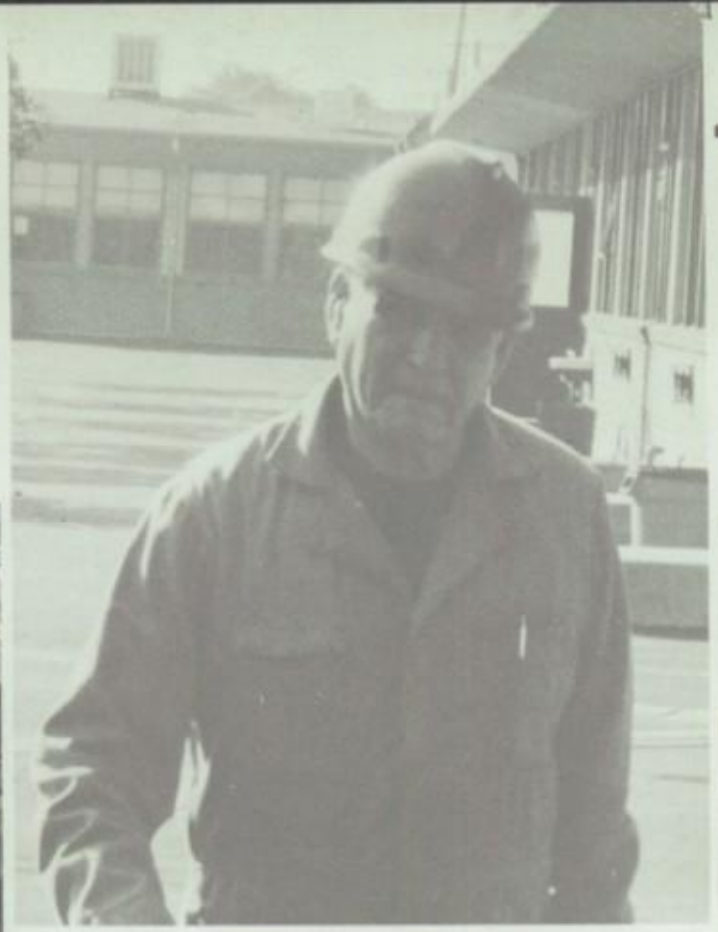
These men and women of the business office, the kitchen crew, the maintenence crew, and the secretarial staff in the main office, not to mention the all-around helpers do anything that is asked of them, to serve the students here at Serra to their best ability.

Mrs. Larranaga counts the money.

Mrs. Badon, cheerful as ever.

These people expect nothing in return except for our appreciation and a little bit of warmth and gratitude. These are the men and women behind the scenes at Serra, the people who make Serra work. They are always loyal and for that reason, many of us take advantage of them if and when we want something, no matter how trivial it is. Many times we also take them for granted. They are the ones behind Serra.

Don't throw it Mrs. Torres.



A typical day for Alex.

Mrs. Diaz, ready for lunch?

Gerardo Corondo and his trusty truck.

What is Brother Leo looking for?

Archbishop Mahony

THE MAN BEHIND THE COLLAR

Archbishop Roger Mahony, the fourth Archbishop of Los Angeles, was hosted by Serra High School on November 24, 1985, along with members of 35 parishes and 33 grammar schools. Over 1000 people were in attendance to have an opportunity to join him as he opened his ministry. Members of the Serra Family served as guides and hosts offering a family atmosphere. Teachers, Mr. Bunker and Bro. Urban Naal contributed by conducting classroom presentations.

Archbishop Mahony brings with him the high expectations of the people of Los Angeles. His record on behalf of the oppressed and minorities is one of the primary reasons he was chosen to succeed Cardinal Manning.

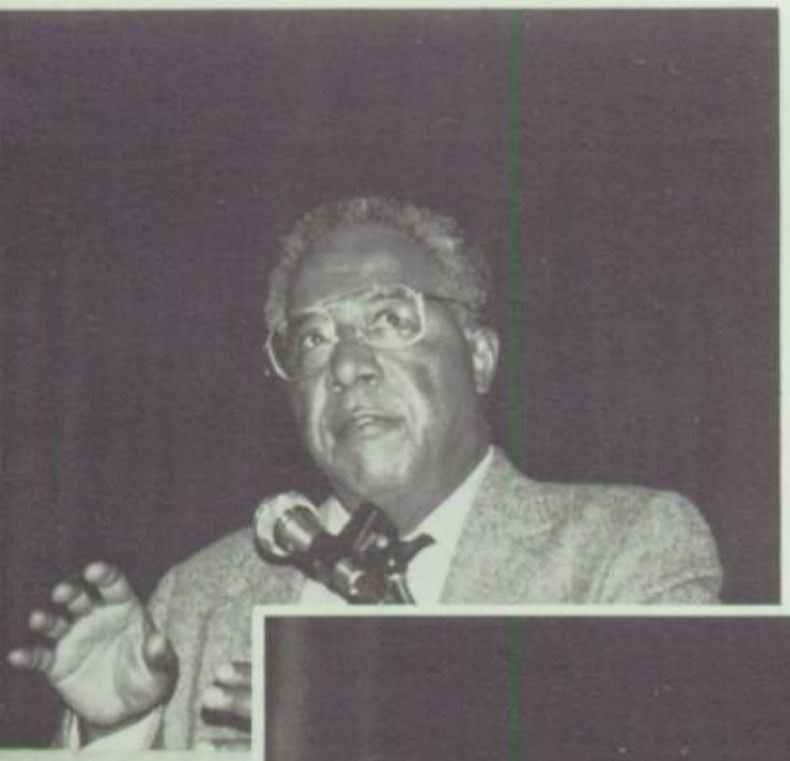
Shortly after taking responsibilities, he publicly commited himself to addressing the needs of the poor and homeless. He also saved our brother school, Cathedral, from the auction block. The people of Los Angeles have an able servant of Jesus.

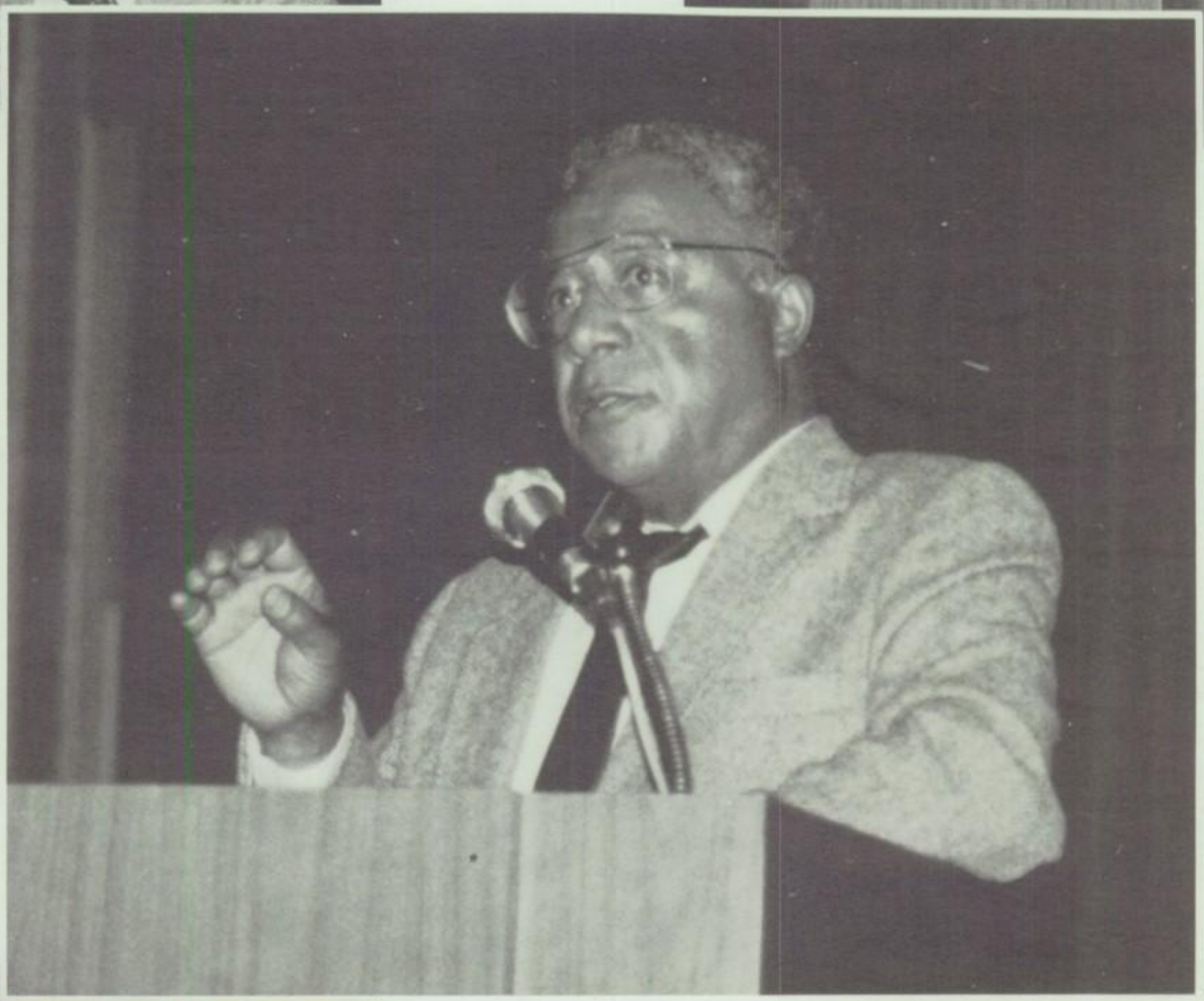
Archbishop Mahony captivates the assembled crowd.

The Archbishop and grammer school girls obviously enjoy each other.

Archbishop Mahony warms up quickly to Raymond Vergara.

Alex Haley Visits Serra





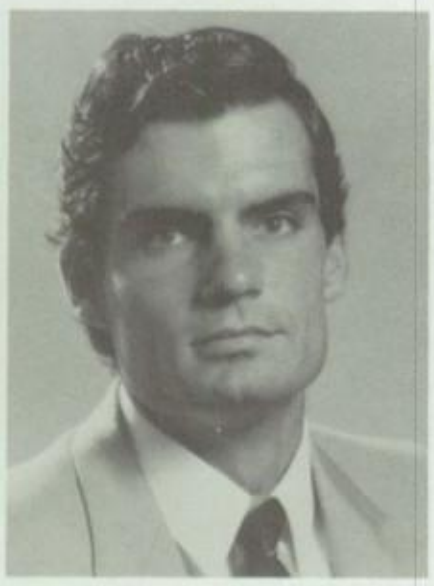
The pride of Serra High School was deepened by the visit from Alex Haley, a man who has, within a decade, done more to uplift the level of dignity and pride of Blacks in America than anyone else. The spectacular event was highlighted by Mr. Haley's talk with the student body, an event long to be heralded by the family of Serra. In his talk he spoke of the things that are needed by young Blacks today and stressed the importance of a good education. The power in which he spoke left the student audience terribly impressed. The insights which he presented left them reflective as to their own future and how education plays a role in it. As for the faculty, his visit stimulated their vivaciousness for increasing the amount of education at Serra as well as reaffirming their view of Serra as a quality institution. Alex Haley left a lasting impression, an impression commiserate with his stature as a man. Perhaps the challenge of his example is his most enduring gift to Serra.

Student Government 1985-86 Executive Council

PRESIDENT

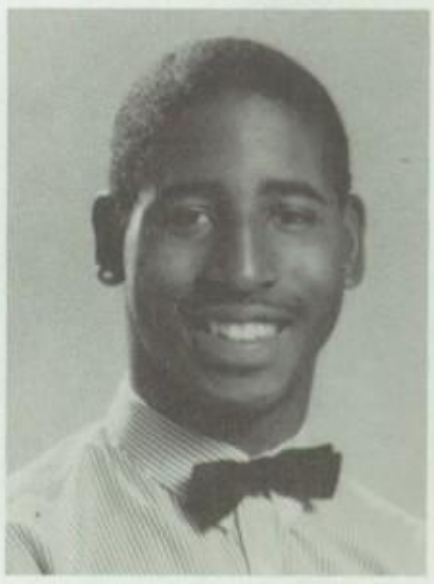
Anthony Franklin

MODERATOR



Craig Mitchell

CHIEF JUSTICE



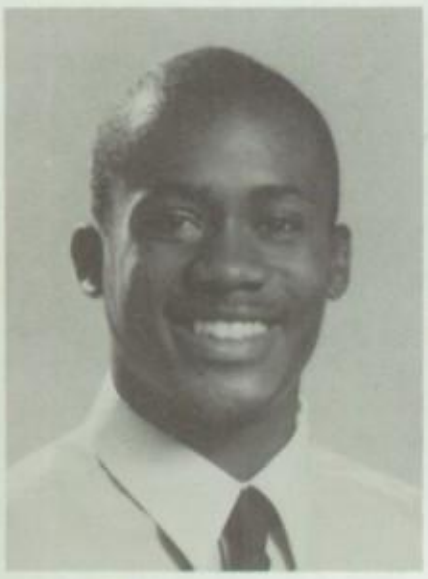
Eric Williams

VICE PRES.

Raymond Vergara

Serra High School has a student body population of approximately 500 students. But unfortunately, Serra has a leadership population of only 25 students, an elite group who are willing to lead rather than follow. They are the people who have made the difference each year at Serra High School. Seven of those students hold membership on the Executive Council. They, as well as the other members of the entire student council have been given the opportunity to play a significant role in the school life of the student body. In addition, Student Government has given students the opportunity to exhibit their leadership skills as well as to express their thoughts and ideas to the school community. Under the leadership of Anthony Franklin and the guidance of Craig Mitchell, the Student Council has sponsored many activities for the enjoyment of the student body.

I.C.C. PRES.



Keith Malone

JUNIOR PRES.

Mark Collins

TREASURER

Anthony Floyd

SECRETARY

Montell Jordan

The Few Who Make Serra Unique

Rallies: If you have the opportunity to experience a Serra Rally, you will witness the joy and happiness that is displayed on the faces of the students. The unity and family atmosphere at Serra High School is very apparent. That is something that makes Serra truly unique.

Homecoming: Homecoming to the average person starts Homecoming night. In reality, Homecoming, to a member of Student Council, starts the previous week. The members of Student Government commit themselves to a week of preparation, a busy week that consists of building Homecoming Floats, interviewing perspective young ladies for Homecoming Queen, having an assembly for Homecoming speeches and finally, Homecoming Night.

Serra Dances . . .

It's Party Time Under The Serra Dome!

The Tradition Lives On

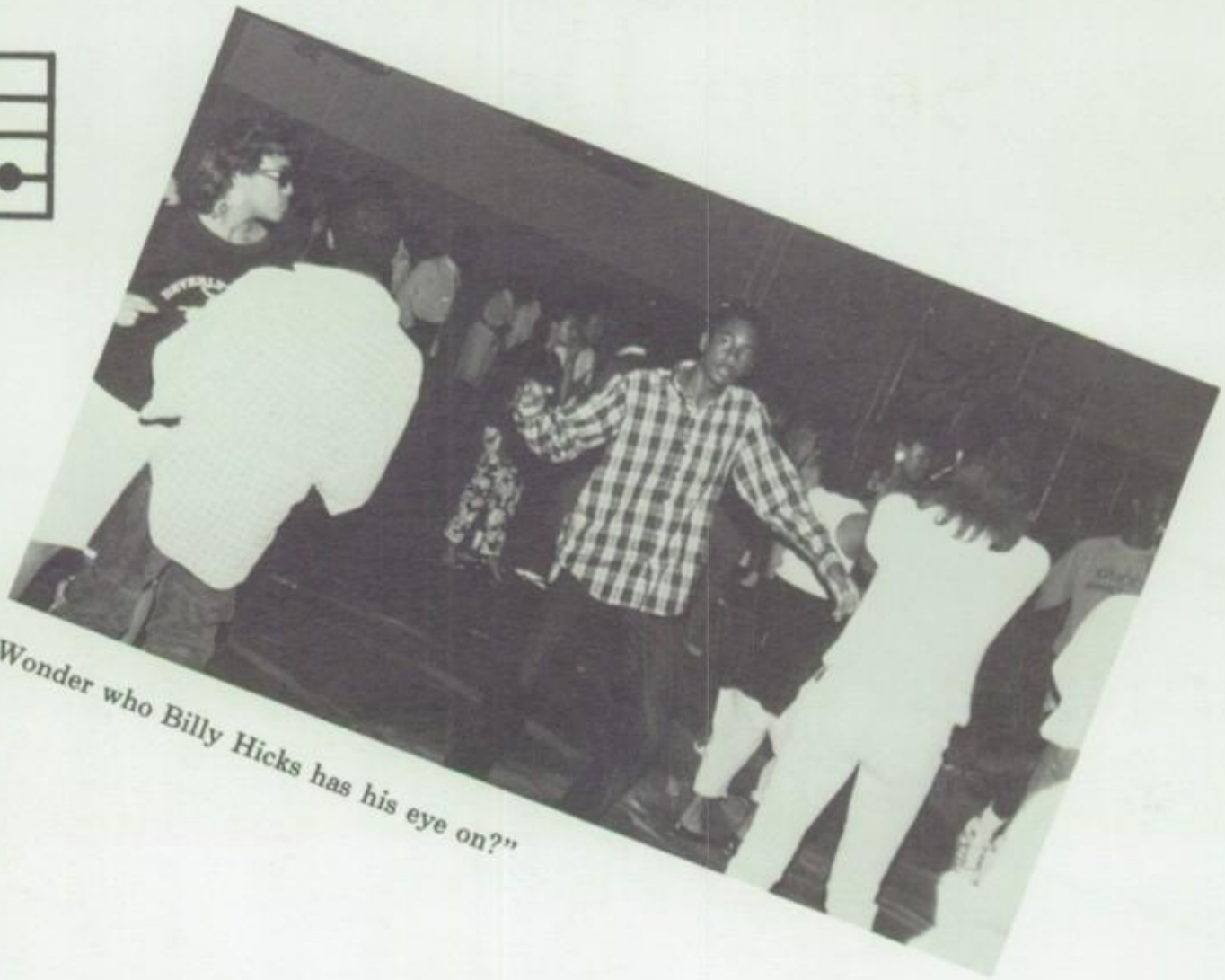
Clearly a memorable night for many.

Serra students know the meaning of working hard as well as playing hard. There is that one Saturday in every month in which you can "play" as hard as you want, and that's by attending the famous Serra Dance. Accompanied by a lovely and intelligent young lady, you could either be out on the dance floor doing the "Bedrock," "the Guess," or showing off your abilities in the "Soul Train Line."

Serra becomes coed for the night, and Serra guys make the most of the opportunity.

Who's the jerk with Tish Ellison?

"Would you like to see our exotic collection of birds?"



"Wonder who Billy Hicks has his eye on?"

Serra Dances are not only known as just a dance, but also as a very active social event. This is shown through the constant participation of students from various schools such as, St. Mary's, St. Michael's, Verbum Dei, St. Bernard's, and Gardena. When you don't see people on the dance floor, you see them having a good time conversing with friends on the premises. This is why Serra Dances continue to have such success.

Sweat Daddy Stan in action

"Lets go see the peacocks!"

Sister Schools

The young ladies who attend our sister schools greatly contribute to life at Serra. Although there are numerous girls who attend these sister schools, only a selected few can truly be considered as our sisters. These are the young ladies who cheer our teams to victory, who support the school by their presence at the dances, or by merely displaying a smiling face on the school campus. These ladies contribute their companionship, their time, and they make evident their loyalty to Serra.

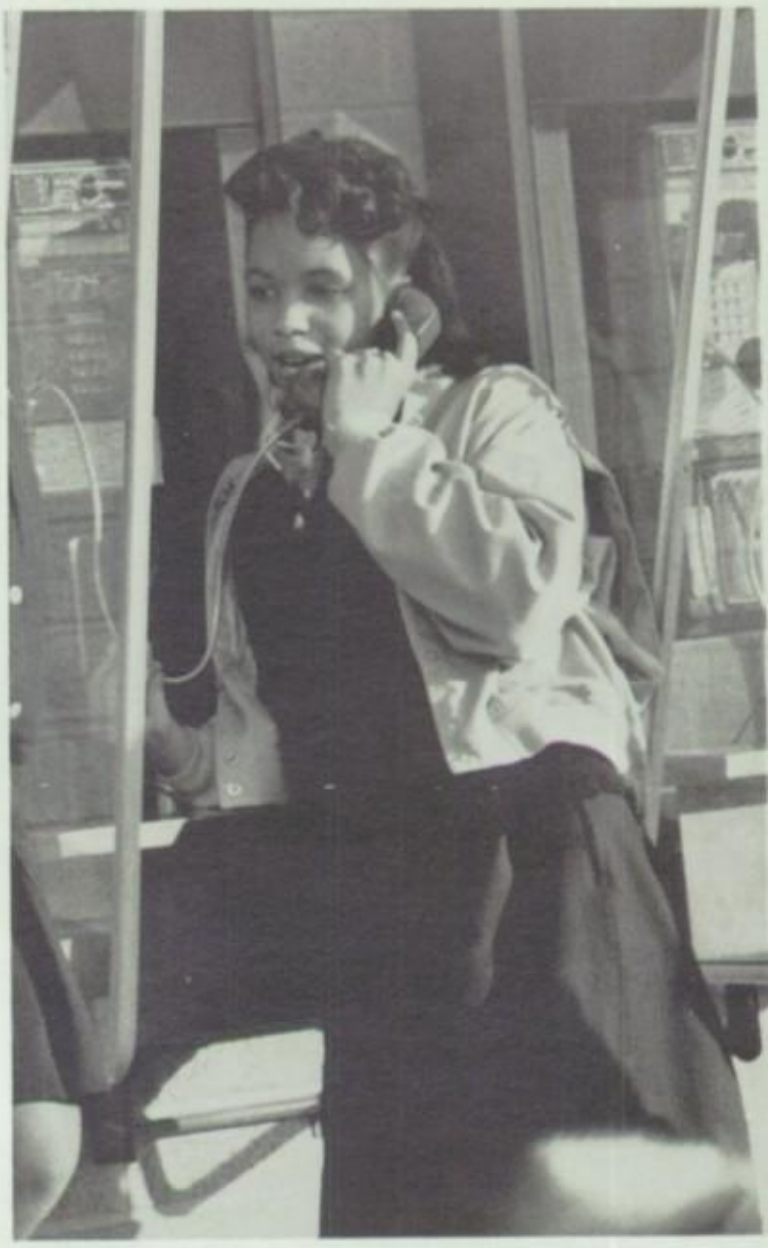
Hey! How did he get in there?

A few friends just kickin' it after a Serra Football victory

Serra Guys making a few new friends at a Search retreat

The students at Serra can't really thank the young ladies at our Sister Schools enough for the support and loyalty they have given us through the years. Our sisters have become a vital part of the Serra Family. From sharing victorious triumphs over opposing teams, to the cold rooter bus rides home after a close event. We thank you for being our sisters.

Serra Guys just talking with the ladies; "What about your homework fellas??? Oh . . . It doesn't matter."



ATTENTION SERRA! . . . Who is she talking to?

Many names and faces of young ladies come to mind; picture the familiar reoccurant faces seen at the various Serra activities, and one would agree that many of these ladies who attend our Sister Schools give more support than many of the Serra Students. Many of our dedicated sisters go one step further than just being another face in the crowd by making evident their envolvement in Serra activities. These are the young ladies who participate on the cheerleading teams, the Homecoming Queen Tryouts, and the ladies who attend the Serra Search Retreats. To the young ladies who support Serra, the Serra Students deeply thank you for your support to make Serra High NUMBER 1.

Mudbone Malone and Tracy Lee attempting to get attention at a Search Retreat.

"HEY STUPID!" (The Bus; remember?)

Talent Show

December 16th marked the beginning of preparation for Serra's Third Annual Talent Show. Participants representing Compton High School and neighboring Sister Schools auditioned for the talent show. 17 hopeful contestants auditioned for $100 and $50 prizes. The contestants display of talents ranged from singing, dancing, and rapping. Some acts had potential while others needed more time to develop. Through the process of elimination, the unpolished acts were filtered out and 5 acts were selected to be performed before the Student Body. 4 out of the 5 acts consisted of the contestants singing a variety of songs while the other act consisted of a dance routine. It seems as though each year the talent show is getting better.

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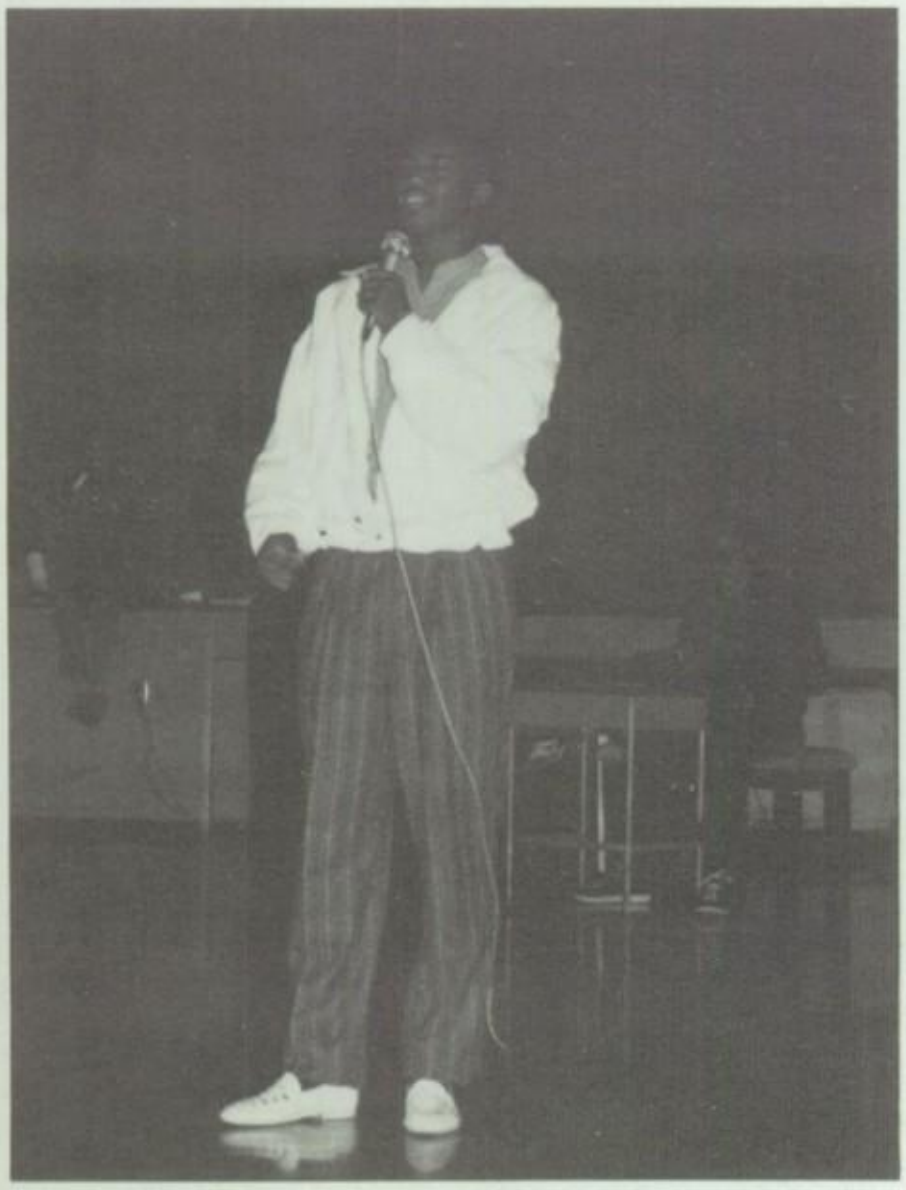
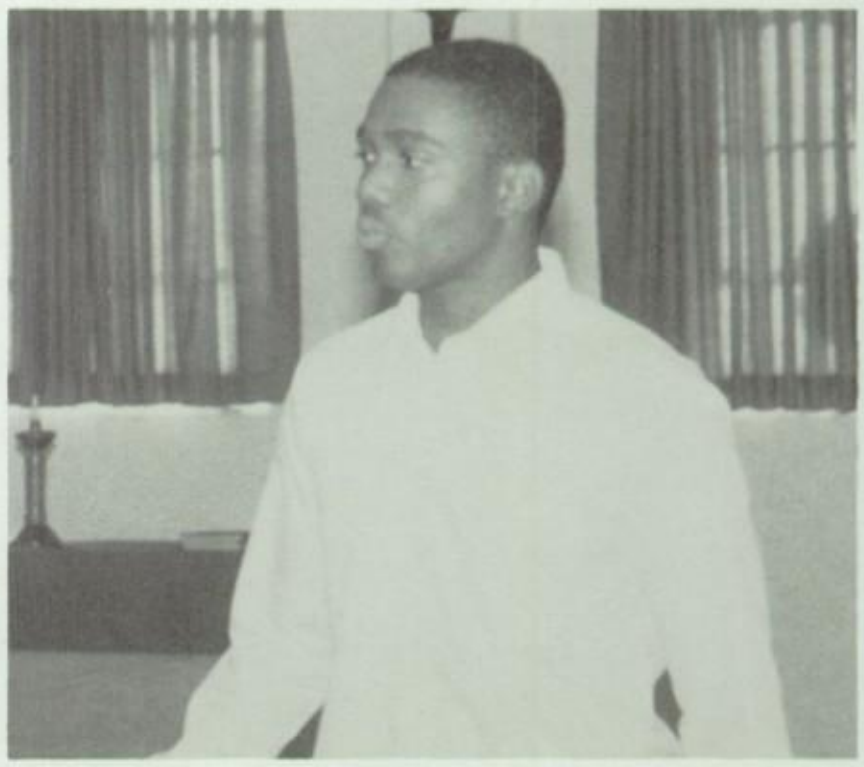




The many long hours of preparation paid off for Todd McCoy as he captured the $100 first prize. Todd won the talent show by incorporating a variety of songs into his routine. He calmly stood in the center of the gymnasium where he bellowed out the harmonic tunes before his fellow Cavaliers. You could see the confidence building in Todd as each note grew stronger and stronger as he felt at ease before the home crowd. The crowd gave Todd an added dimension by giving him moral support. Todd expressed his gratitude by bringing home for the second consecutive year a first place victory for the Cavaliers.

For the 2nd consecutive year, Nicole Stanton captured 2nd place in our talent show. Last year, Nicole battled it down to the wire as she was called upon to perform another song in order to prove she was worthy of the $50. This year once again, she proved her worthiness. Nicole's singing career seems to be moving full steam ahead.

Lisa Fletcher fulfilled a dual role in this years talent show. She has done this year what has never been done in Serra's brief history of the talent show. She opened the show by singing a song which was later followed up with a solo dance routine. On both occassions she displayed her natural talents. She caught the eyes of many boys as she danced and paraded around the gymnasium. This year, Lisa showed us we could use our talents in more ways than one.

Last year's reigning champion, Montell Jordan, who won the talent show by singing "If The Lord Wasn't On My Side." This time, Montell sang and played "Jesus Is Love." This year Montell was faced with stiff opposition from the other contestants. Montell put up a strong fight as the beautiful spiritual was sung and played. The talent show was only one of the many ways Montell blesses Serra with his many talents.

Artistic Expressions

Rembrant

Picasso

Michelangelo

Alma Tadema
Renior

Gary Patterson
Van-Gough

Darren Allen
Dega

Raymond Cham
Monet

Terence Capers
Pizarro

John Jackson
Dali

Glen Sutherland
Wyeth

Pumi Mkhize
Rubin

Montell Jordan
Batise

Anthony Floyd
Dali

Octavious Douglas
Gainsborough

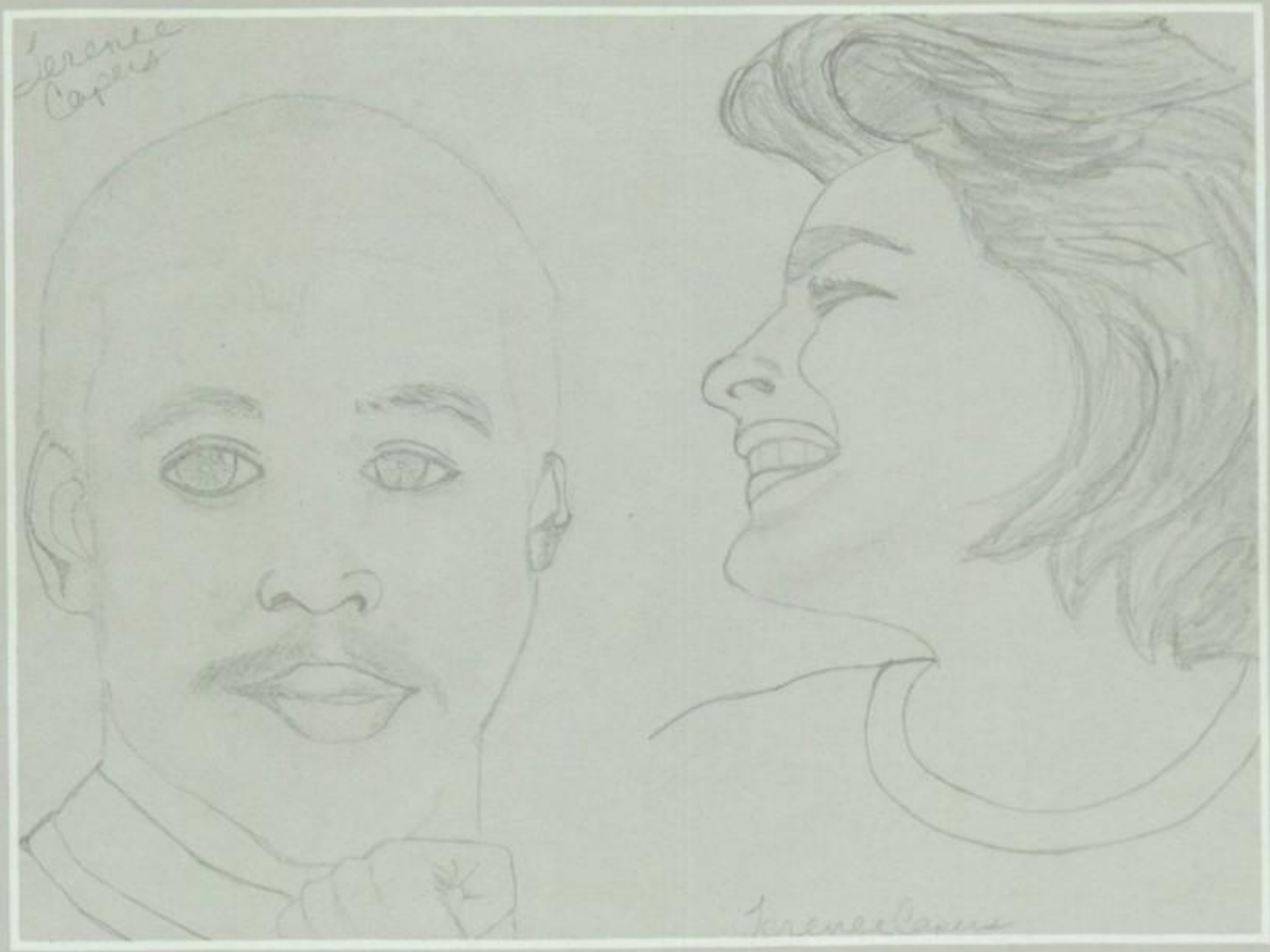
Raymond Cham
c/o '89

Gary Patterson
c/o "87"

"War of the Hearts"

I could aim but I could not fire, got a bullet to spare to kill my desire. Who's calling the shots? One of us must make the peace, to have or to have not the fire has to cease. I'm loaded, but I don't know where to point this thing. It's a sin how we hit where it hurts. Who's calling the shots? One of us must end this masquerade TO have or to have not, let's heal the wounds that we've made.

Octavious Douglas
c/o "87"



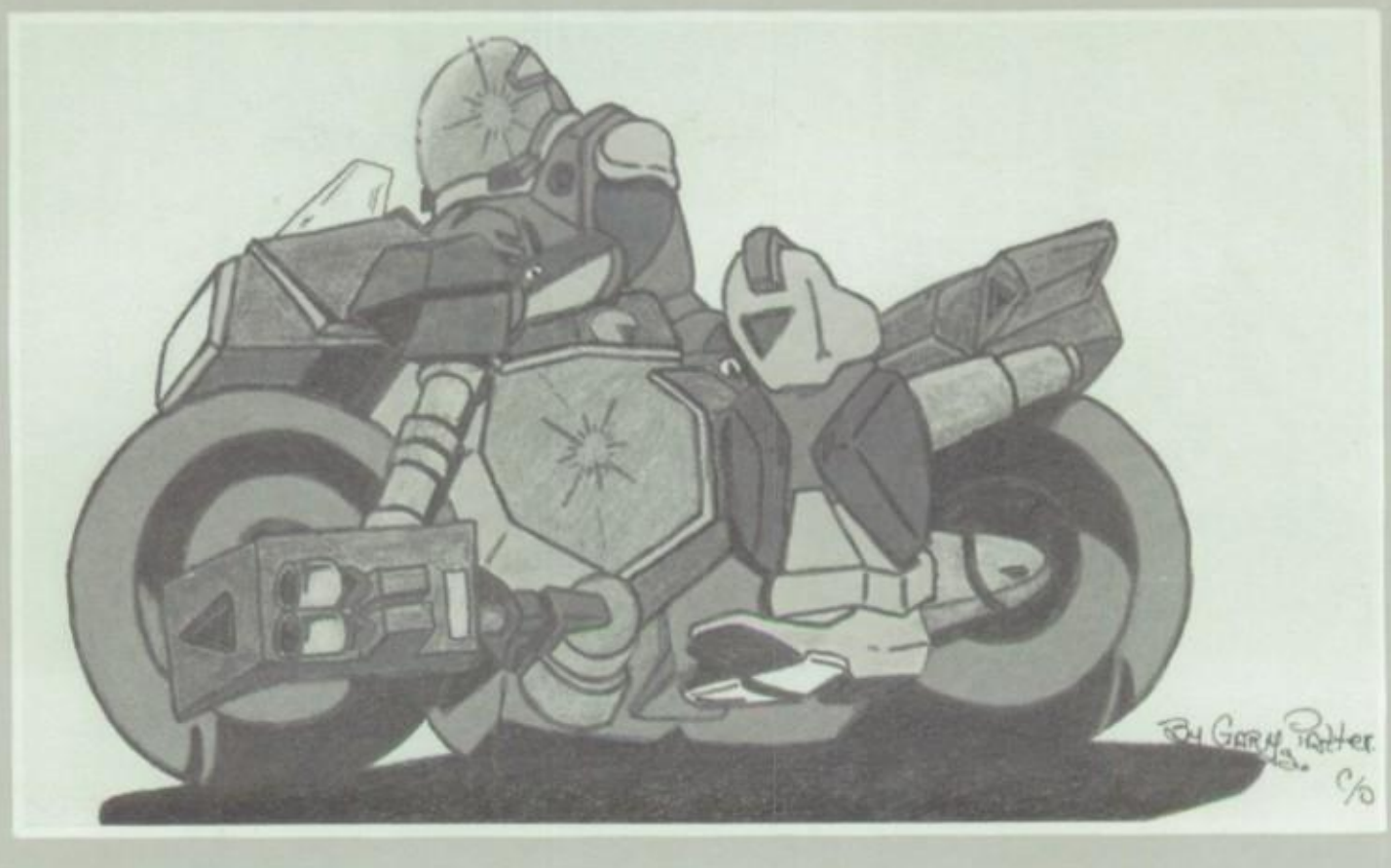
Terence Capers
c/o "86"

John Jackson
c/o "87"

Art is an expression of an artist's conception of the world. Expressions that appeal to the artist are displayed in his artwork. Art is a talent that requires hard work, concentration, and creativity. The beauty of art is a reflection of all the hard work that goes into it's creation.

Terry Roussel
c/o "88"

Lewis Calderon
c/o "89"



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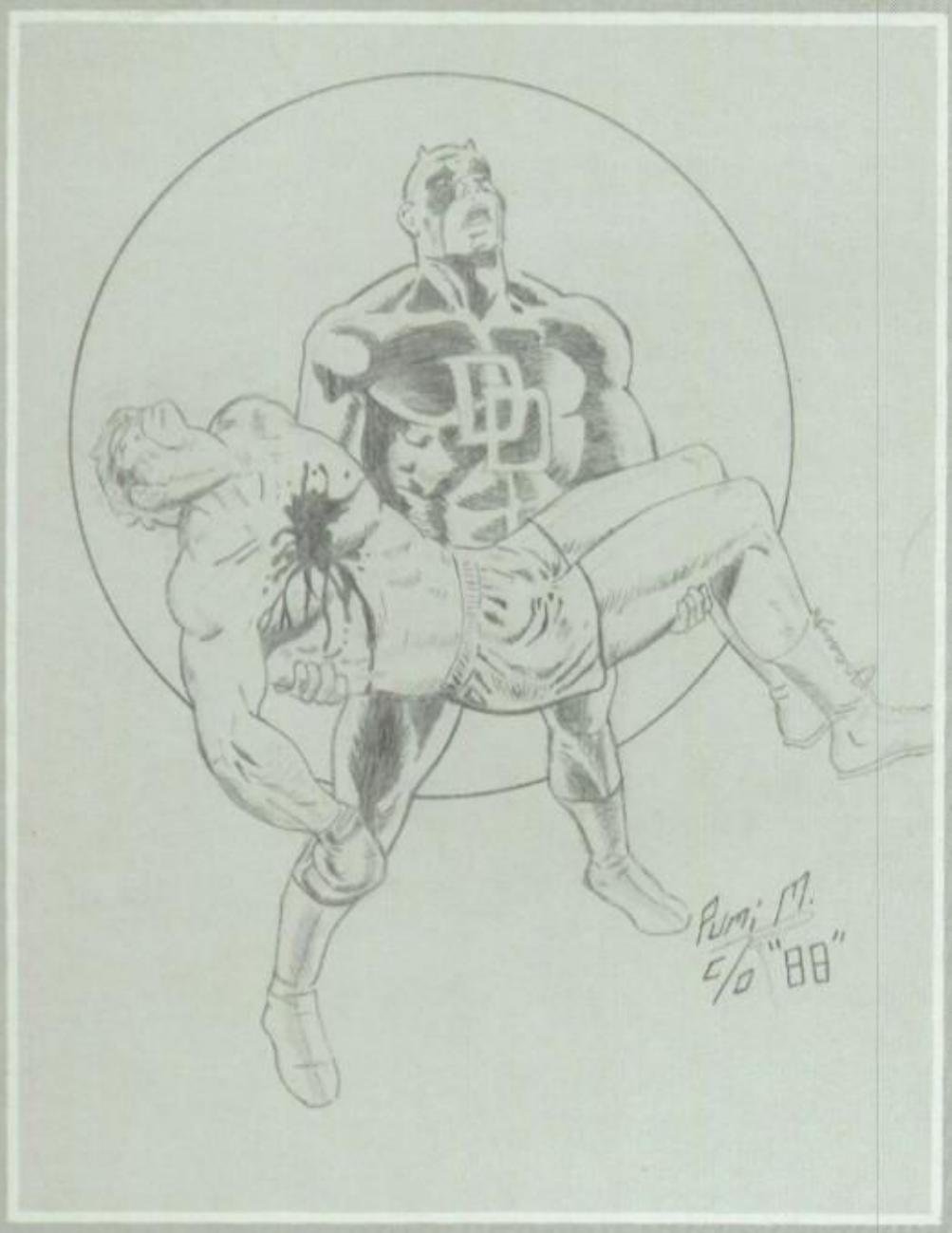
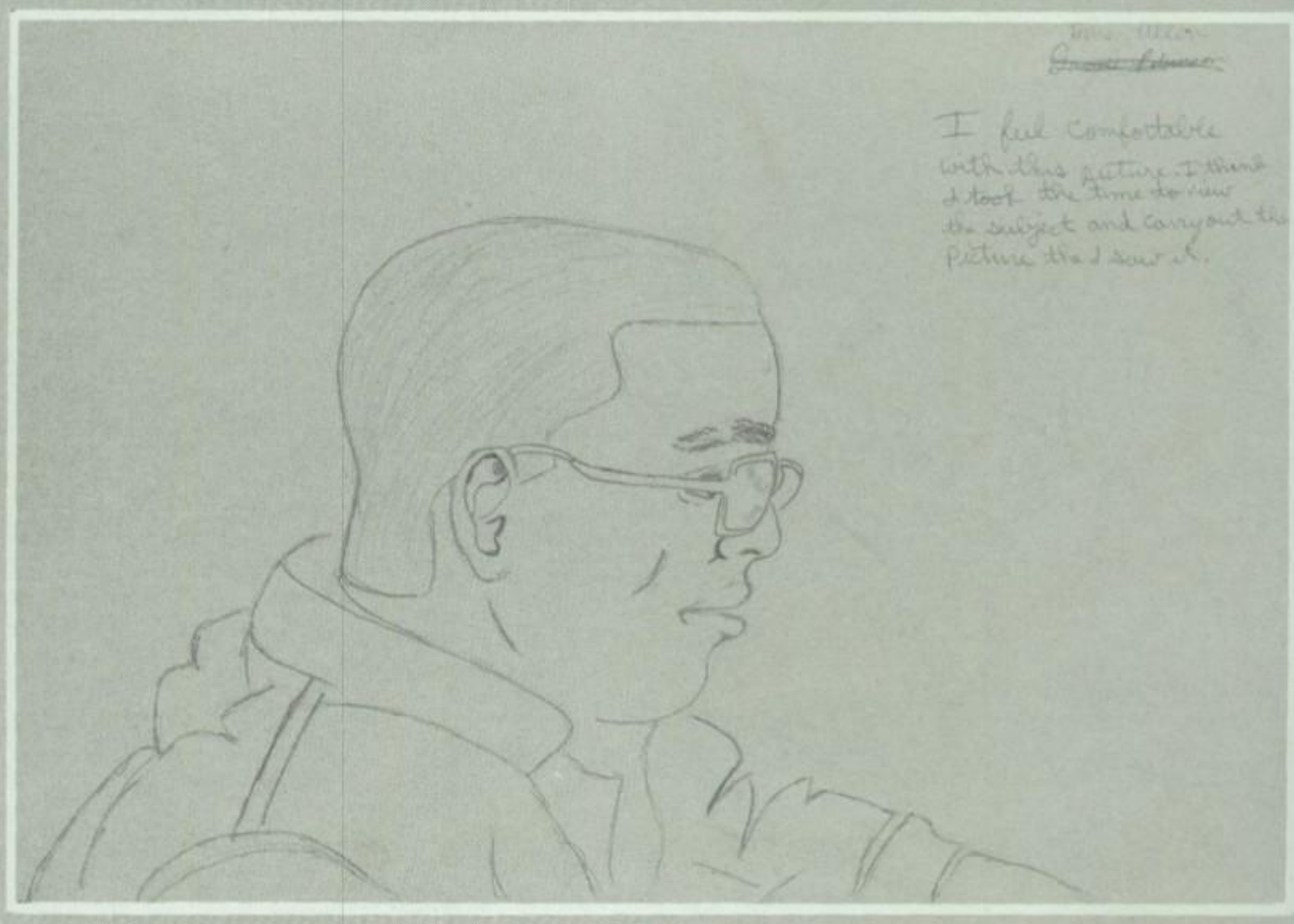


Pumi Mkhize
c/o "88"

After the long day, we have come to stop to reflect upon what we feel.
Through the grace of God our saving Lord we are given another meal.
We thank him for our many gifts, especially the gift of Life.
And indeed we also thank our God in settling our many strifes.
We are very fortunate for there are problems we don't have.
Like the people we know too well of, who are prisoners in their own land.
We live in a troubled world, where youth is no longer safe.
And where hunger and poverty seem to be the common place.
Sometimes it seems so useless, as if we shouldn't try.
But it's up to us to fill the needs so the world will no longer cry.

Anthony Floyd
c/o "86"

Glen Sutherland
c/o "88"



Darren Allen
c/o "86"

Terrence Capers
Class of 1986

This Time Is Ours

This time is ours
For as long as it's meant
to last
Let's pray that time doesn't
move too fast
When you love how quickly
the moments pass
This time is ours
& no one can take it
away
Why live our lives for
yesterday
Our love is here to say.

The time is ours
& were only at the start
Maybe one day we'll
have to part.
But since you & I can't
read the stars
Let's be glad that this
time is ours.

Octavious Douglas
Class of 1987

Montell Jordan
Class of 1986

1985 A Year

1985 saw more people perish in airline crashes than in any previous year in flight history,

After almost a decade of escalating tension between the Americans and Soviets, Ronald Reagan and Mikhail Gorbachev met in Geneva to begin talks.

In a year filled with natural disasters, the volcanic erruption in Columbia that claimed the lives of over 25,000 people, testified to the awful power of nature. It also provided the setting for one of the most poignant acts of courage. Omaira Sanchez, a 13 year old girl, kept her spirits alive for 60 hours while recuers attempted to free her. Tragically, her body was not equal to her spirit, for minutes before she was freed she died of heart failure.

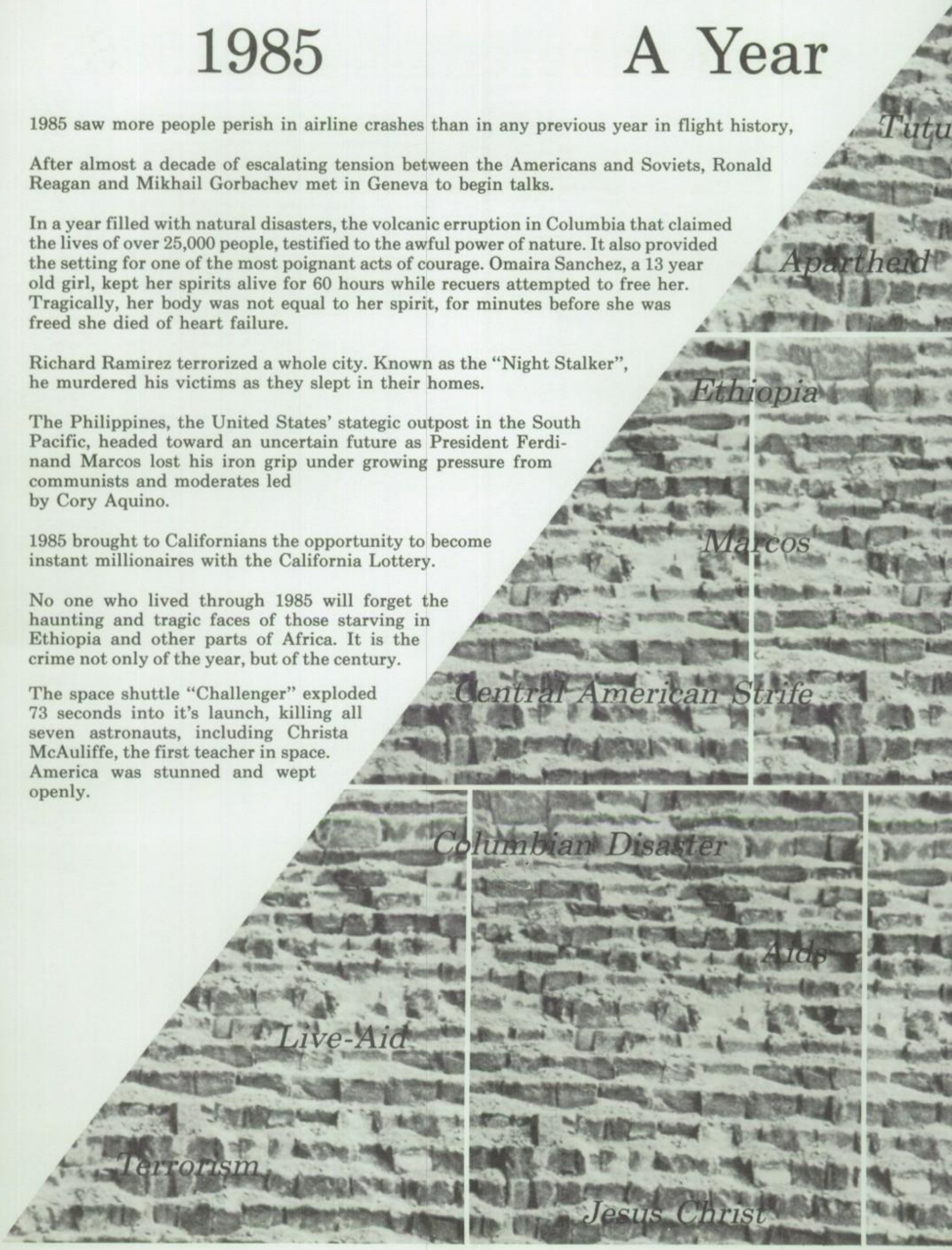
Richard Ramirez terrorized a whole city. Known as the "Night Stalker", he murdered his victims as they slept in their homes.

The Philippines, the United States' stategic outpost in the South Pacific, headed toward an uncertain future as President Ferdinand Marcos lost his iron grip under growing pressure from communists and moderates led by Cory Aquino.

1985 brought to Californians the opportunity to become instant millionaires with the California Lottery.

No one who lived through 1985 will forget the haunting and tragic faces of those starving in Ethiopia and other parts of Africa. It is the crime not only of the year, but of the century.

The space shuttle "Challenger" exploded 73 seconds into it's launch, killing all seven astronauts, including Christa McAuliffe, the first teacher in space. America was stunned and wept openly.



Remembered 1986

The "cause celebre" of 1985 was unquestionably South Africa. After centuries of white rule, black South Africans collectively said "Enough!" Imprisoned Nelson Mandela and Nobel Prize winner Bishop Desmond Tutu attempted to force the South African government to abolish apartheid. Yet, at years end the violence that wracked the country had accomplished nothing but a rising sense that the Alamo was about to be relived.

It was the "dream" concert, staged both in London and Philadelphia, that brought together such stars as Elton John, the Who, Patti LaBelle, David Bowie, Tina Turner-all contributing to raising 50 million dollars to aid the starving people in Ethiopia and the Sudan.

Aquired Immune Deficiency Syndome, better known as AIDS, became an epidemic, threatening the lives of both the homosexual and straight community. When Rock Hudson succumbed to the disease, Americans began to seriously fight this always fatal disease.

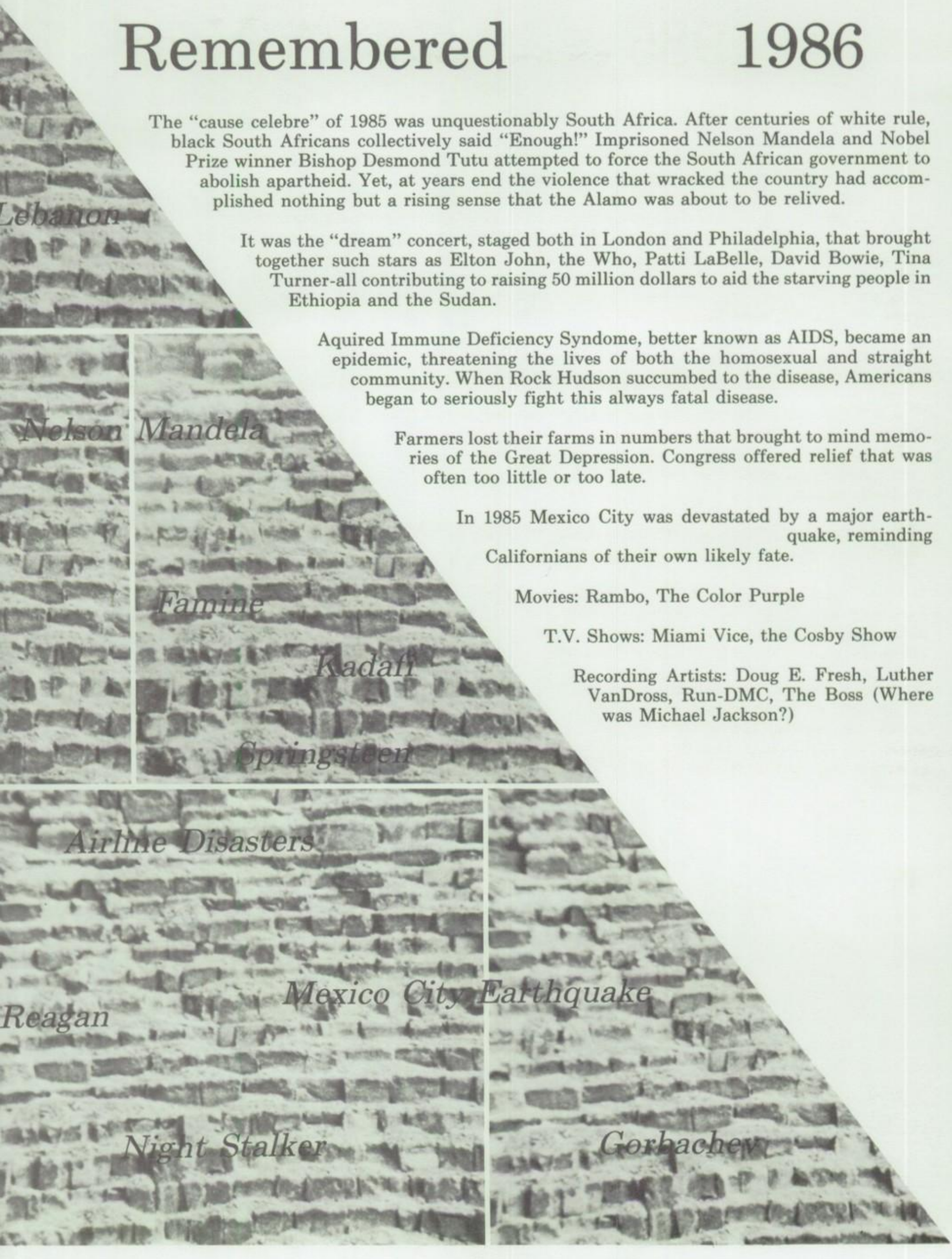
Farmers lost their farms in numbers that brought to mind memories of the Great Depression. Congress offered relief that was often too little or too late.

In 1985 Mexico City was devastated by a major earthquake, reminding Californians of their own likely fate.

Movies: Rambo, The Color Purple

T.V. Shows: Miami Vice, the Cosby Show

Recording Artists: Doug E. Fresh, Luther VanDross, Run-DMC, The Boss (Where was Michael Jackson?)



Faces Of Serra

It is said, "The camera does not lie." These pictures convey the truth of what constitutes the Serra Man. He is a listener, he is gentle, he is a seeker of wisdom, he is one who labors in the vineyard.

We most easily remember man by the legacy of his words. Moses is known by the commandments he received, the Apostle Paul by the power of his revelations, Lincoln by his moving words at Gettysburg. Yet, man's image, captured by the artist's brush, the sculptor's hand, the camera's eye are capable of offering a powerful testimony. These pensive Serra students require a contemplative study.

To look into a man's eyes is to encounter his soul.

The True Meaning Of Christmas

Rudy Vallin, Ricky King, Arthur Vigne, William Fergeson, Darryl Thomas and Andre Stull set up the tree in the dining room.

Mr. Mitchell and a resident share of themselves.

Gustavo Ruiz, Alton Stacy and Darryl Thomas try their skills at decorating.

One of Serra's favorite new friends- her personality was as engaging as her wit and conversation.

This past December, numerous Serra students and Mr. Mitchell took a short trip to Las Flores Convalesant Home, in a successful attempt to spread cheer, joy, and the Christmas spirit with the elderly residents. The visit was filled with smiling faces, stories of life in the 1890's, and sharing friendships between three generations-almost a century between the seniors and the senior citizens!

New Friends

Anthony Franklin and Eric Williams introduce themselves.

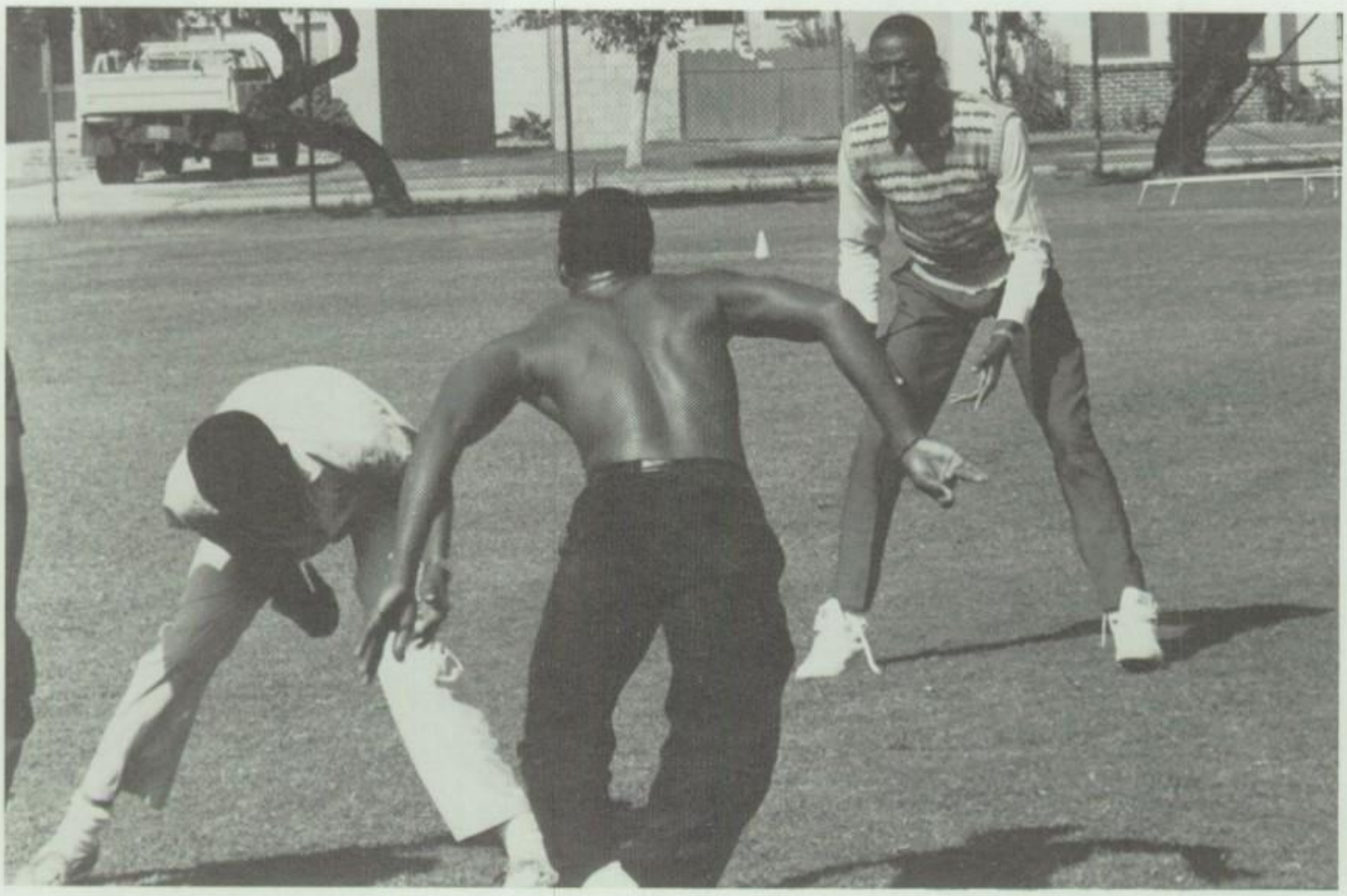
Come, blessed of my Father, inherit
the kingdom prepared for you from
the foundation of the world . . .
For I was sick, and you visited me:
I was in prison and you came to me.
Matthew 25:34-35

WARMTH. . . even if but for the moment.

Anthony Franklin and Alex Tutt enjoy the company of Frank Nolan.

The trip was considered by many to be an emotional experience. Numerous students now fear growing old as they observed how the elderly are mistreated in their old age, and now merely exist, hoping for an occasional visit from anyone. There was a lesson to be learned from the residents of Las Flores: live, laugh, learn, accomplish and do as much as you can while you are able. And perhaps change the way we treat our elderly.

IM-REC



Sean Brown moves in for the kill?

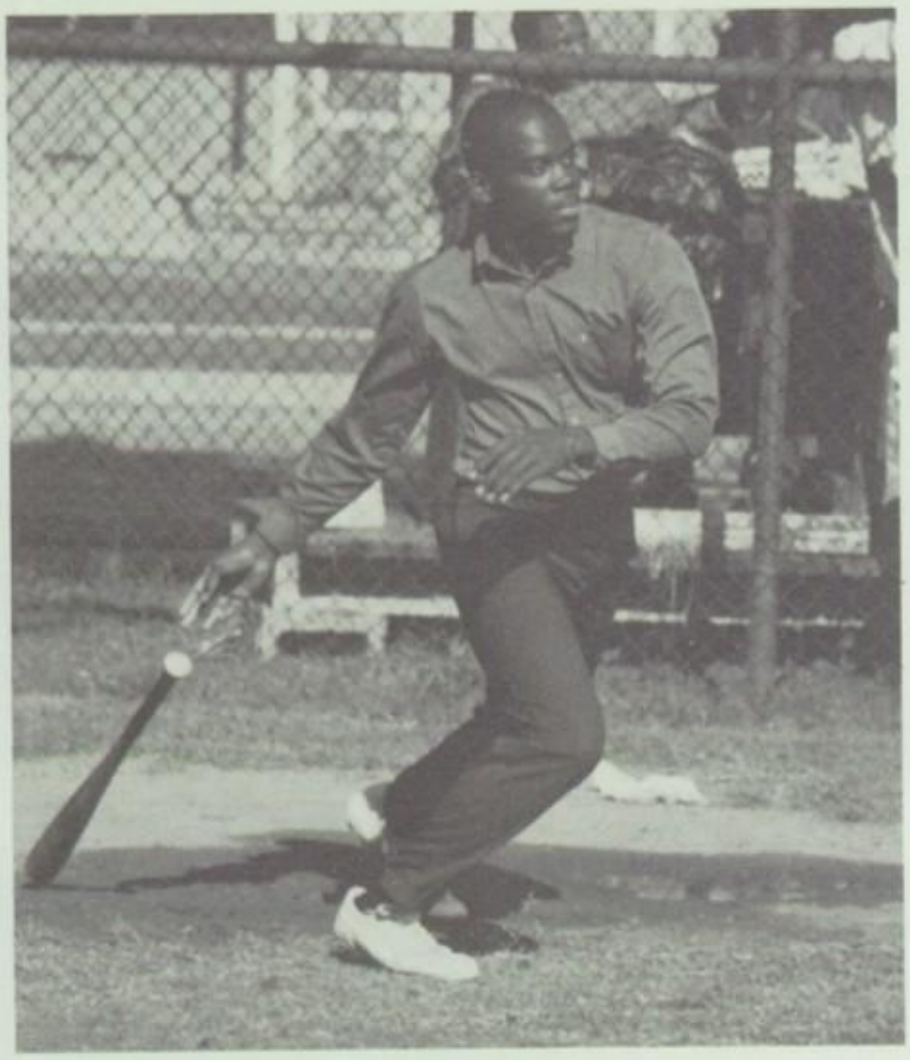
On any given day you can go out to the atheletic fields or the gymnasium and see young men pitted against each other in atheletic competition. IM-REC places homeroom against homeroom and student against student. Whether the sport is football or basketball, volleyball or softball, or even indoor soccer IM-REC incorporates the honorable fundamentals of fair play with an absolute desire to win and uses them to create an atmosphere of gritty competition.

Opening the season was football. Football proved to be more physical than anybody expected. During the season many flags flew. It may have been clipping, blocking below the belt, or even illegal use of hands. These penalties, however, were not indicative of unsportsmanlike conduct but rather an outcome of good fun.

Next came soccer. When soccer comes to mind one thinks of a non-violent, slow paced sport. This conception of soccer is false. Soccer can be violent and is extremely fast paced. Many people have left the soccer floor wondering where their breaths are.

Following soccer is basketball. At first glance some may consider basketball very simple. But, after close examination one will notice the great complexity to this sport. Basketball is a game of passing, dribbling, shooting, and most of all DEFENSE.

Following basketball was volleyball. To many, volleyball is not a tough and physical sport. In reality this is a great misconception. Volleyball is a sport of guts. It takes guts to continually give up your body to the cold, hard floor.



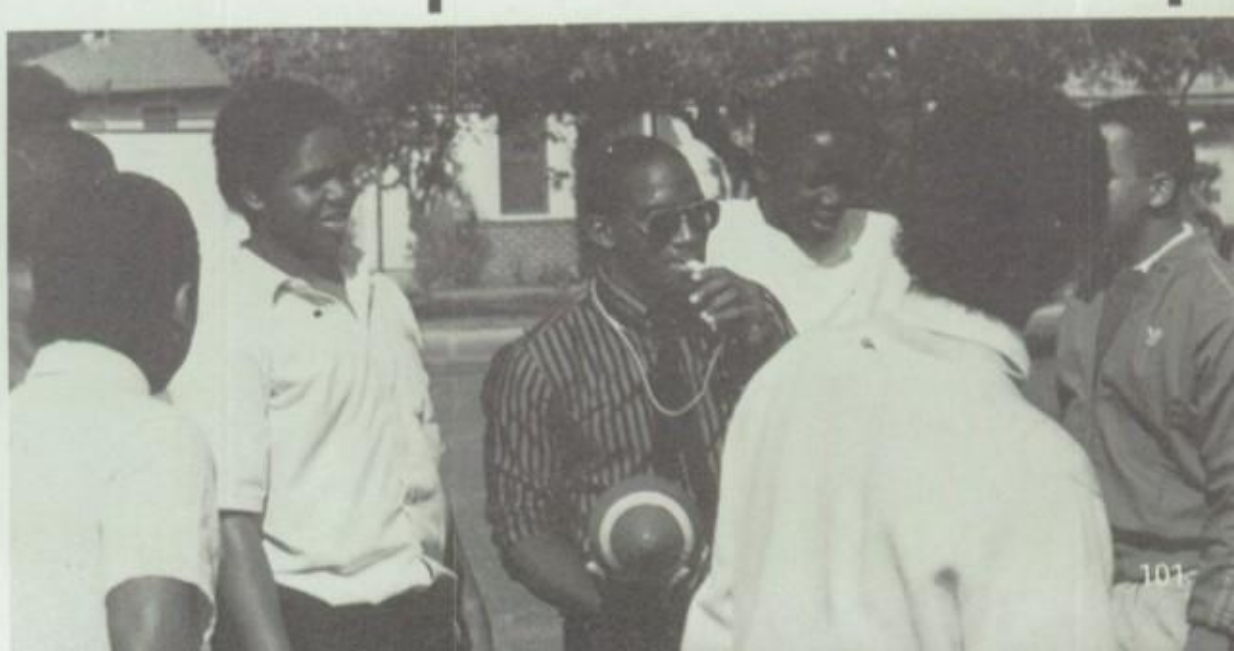
Ricky Thomas looks toward the horizon.

So whether it be the pigskin or the b-ball; the tether, soccer, or softball, you must agree-intramural recreation is a great event that hopefully will go on for a long, long time. No wonder IM-REC is so well liked and enjoyed. When you try to think of the great qualities found in IM-REC you will have no trouble in thinking of many. You will find that through tough physical, atheletic competition, you grow in your physical stature. In using fair play and sportsmanlike conduct and attitude, players gain emotional strength and stability. By using the necessary teamwork and participating, atheletes further develop logic and the ability to think quickly as well as the ability to think instinctively.

Everyone wants to win, but nobody is willing to do so at someone else's expense. Perhaps one of the best qualities of intramural recreation is the fact that though games may come and go, friendships last through them all and some are made because of them.

IM-REC builds bridges between many students. If there was no intramural activity, some students would have no way of coming together with other students. The effort needed by these students to fill these gaps would be immense and super-human. This works because no matter how smart, how goodlooking, or how atheletic you are, you get the opportunity to participate in intramural sports, because everybody likes to compete and everybody loves to win. Yes, intramural recreation joins together the shy and the outgoing; the fat and the skinny; the handsome and the ugly; the smart and the dumb; and lets them all have a lot of fun.

Shawn Smyles shows excellent passing form???



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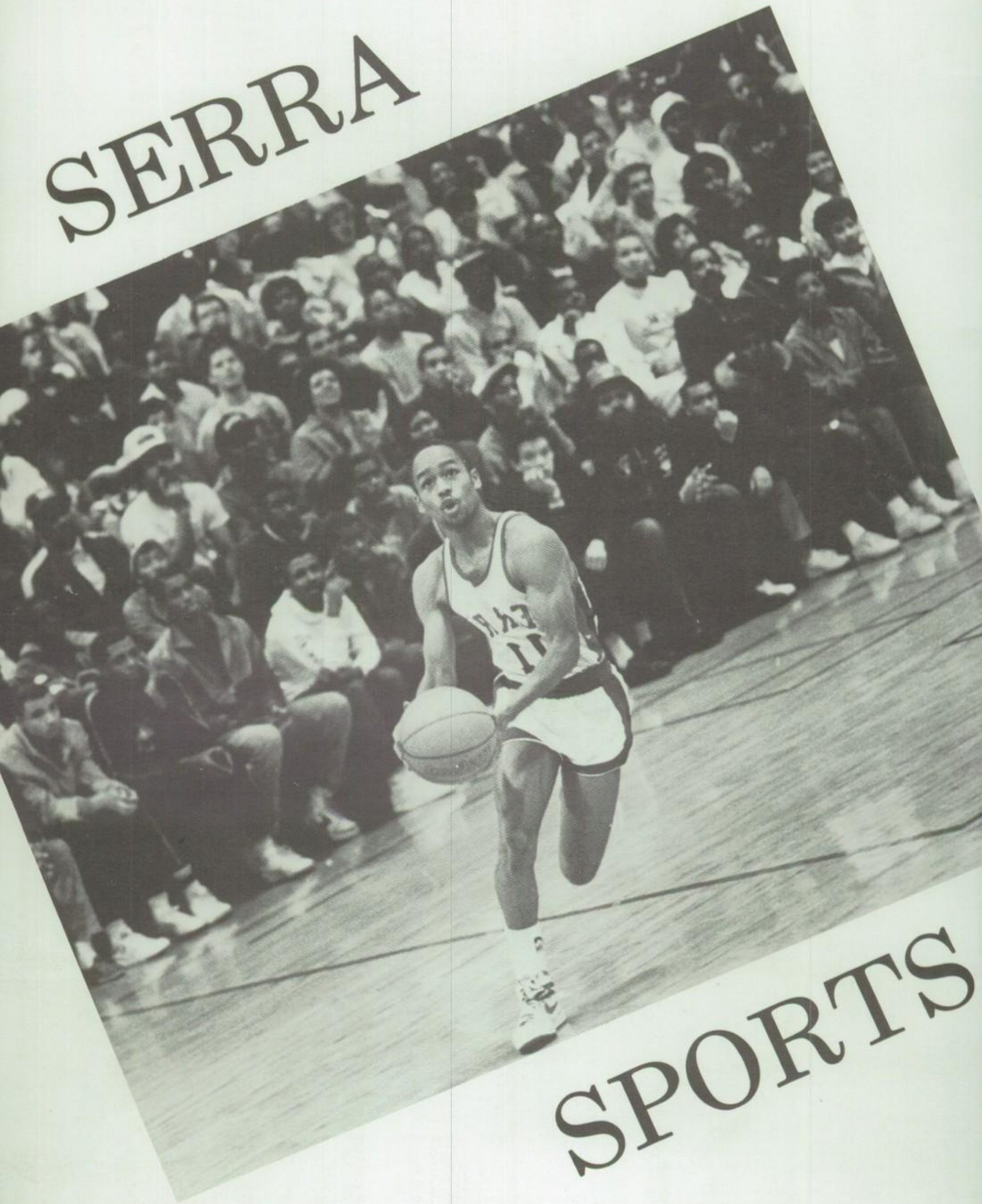

SPORTS

1985 Cavalier Football Team

Seniors
Erikk Aldridge
Marcus Barnes
Nelson Cade
Jimmy Hazelitt
William Kennard
Rocen Keeton
Terence LeDoux
Harold Manyweather
Keith Moore
Kerry Collins
Darrell Robinson
Daryl Singleton
Maurice Smith
Daryl Thomas
Jimmy Tucker
Mark Wyatt

Juniors
Darryl Jackson
John Jackson
Joseph Jackson
Derrick Johns
Marvyn Mack
Michael Prudhomme
KeithRankins
Chris Robinson
Lorne Stevenson

Sophomores
Anthony Jackson
Eric Johnson
Pumi Mkhize
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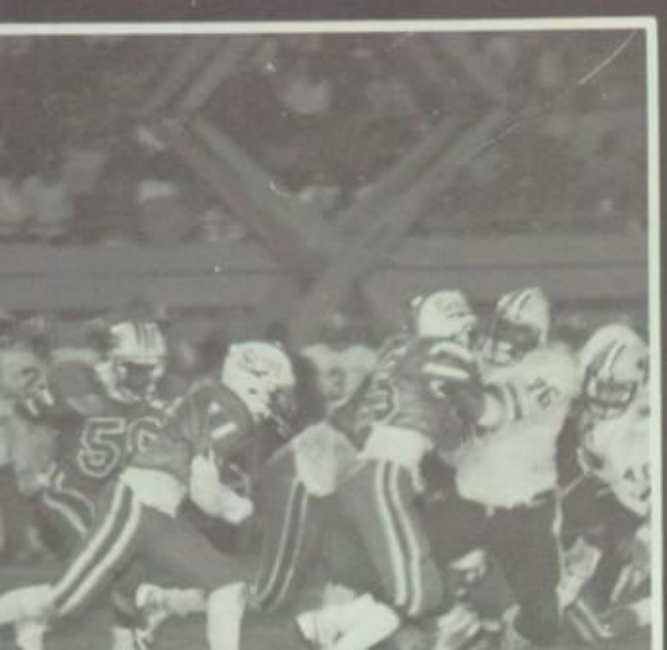


This years Serra team had to fight to gain respect in a tough Camino Real League. Though not all the mental and physical were fully developed, this years Cavalier squad was known for its toughness in times of adversity. The team was able to hold its own despite a lack of support, except for a few hardcore Serra fans.

"The Leader Of The Pack"

Coach Dale Washburn was the leader of the family, the father. Coming off a chmpionship year with a veteran team, Coach Washburn knew that the 1985 campaign would be a difficult one, especially since he was getting, "old and senile". The team was green and needed a lot of work on fundamentals. However, Coach Washburn is a competitor and like all competitors he began to prepare his troops for war. He would be sometimes besides himself with the unfortunate events that occured to his team, and many times said, "We just seem to get no breaks". But that is the crazy game of football. Coach Washburn has affected every young man's life that he has ever coached. The one thing that his players probably remember the most about this season is that, no matter how bad things were going or no matter how tough times were he would say, "I'll never give up on you or this team!"

"It is *not* the critic who counts . . . The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood . . . Who at best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails by darring greatly, so that his place will *never* be with *those* cold and timid souls who *neither* know victory nor defeat" . . .

by Franklin D. Roosevelt

Thanks Dad!

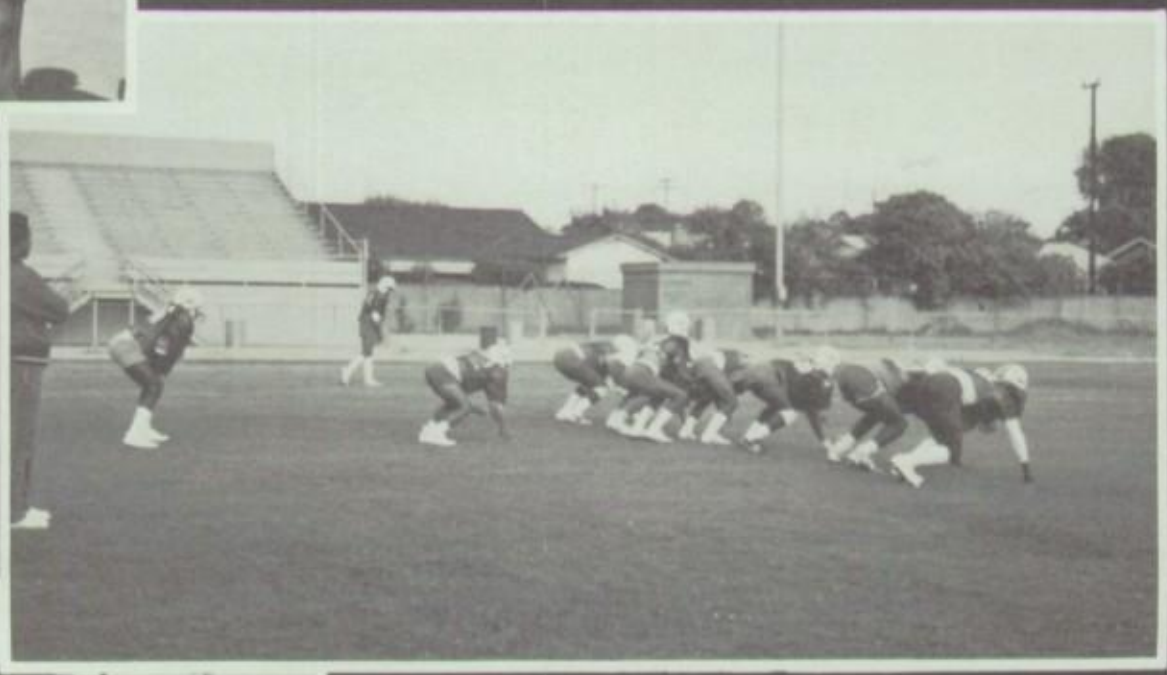
Summer Time . . .

Jimmy Tucker is a player who has unlimited potential in the game of football. Everyone remembers his bone jarring blocks and his awesome defense against the pass. The things that the students remember about Tucker are his 'war stories' on Monday mornings after the games. He is definitely a hard working athlete who gave it his all every time he touched the field. His intensity during game time is probably the reason why he was an All-League performer and an excellent prospect for college coaches.

The hard work shows. (above)

Serra running "Team O" (right)

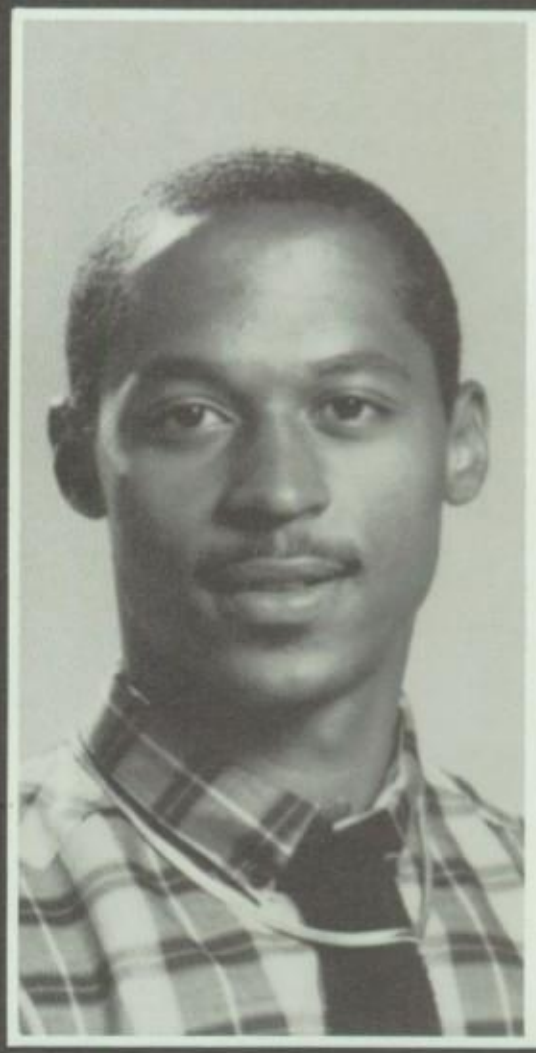
"Don't get froggy." (below)



One thing everyone can say about this years Serra team, is that they were in top physical condition as athletes. Many Cavalier players went through Dr. Washburn's rigorous summer program and therefore became stronger and faster than their opponents. The summer was the first process in weeding out those who wanted it and those who didn't. The summer was long and arduous, for those who stuck with it. Everyone who completed the summer program will remember it as worthwhile.

. . . Not Fun Time"

Cav's Take To The Ground



"D.T." was a small quiet bundle of energy which helped spark the Cavaliers offense this season. Maybe that's why Daryl Thomas was such a tower of strength for this year's Serra team. He was the type of back who was quiet, but always had the fire in his eyes for victory. Daryl, a multi-talented running back, excelled in every phase of the game. Darryl's attitude follows him wherever he goes. That's why Daryl is like a true brother to so many of us. Daryl proves that big things truly come in small packages.

The Cavalier offense was known for its high powered running attack. Many times the opponents primary purpose was to stop the Cavaliers running attack because they knew if they could stop the run, that they could slow down the Serra team. Even the best of teams had trouble controlling Daryl Singleton and Company.

But as we all know you can't run unless you block. The offensive line was a group to be proud of. Every game they fought their hardest to control the line of scrimmage. They showed a great deal of heart and pride while propelling the team into the playoffs.

Look At The Offense Go!!!

Feeling The Power Of Serra's Defense

Serra lines up for another war!

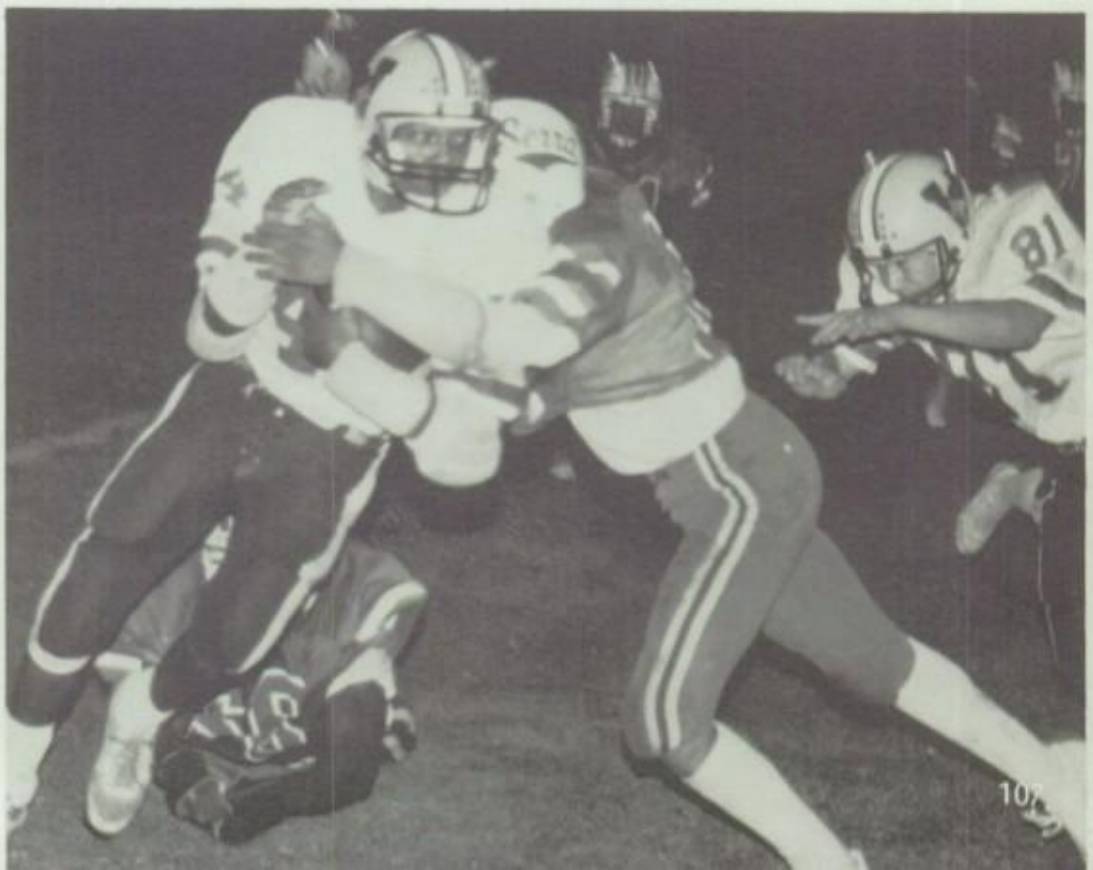
ocen puts fear into the eyes of his opponents.

This year's Serra defense was a tough scrappy group of over achievers. Despite the presence of middle linebacker, Rocen Keeton every play was war in which the team had to earn its respect. With the team having numerous players going both ways they were still the proud accomplishers of two shut out performances. Serra's defense also held the CRL Champs Verbum Dei to Their lowest point total of the year.

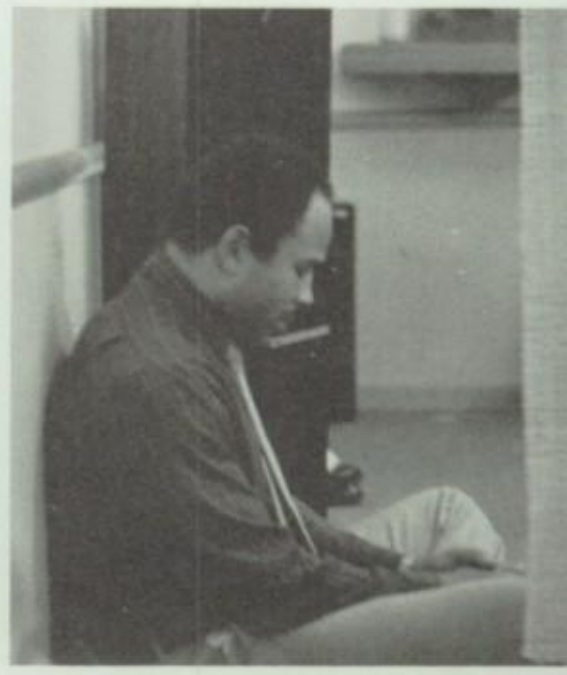
Terry leDoux makes his presence felt.

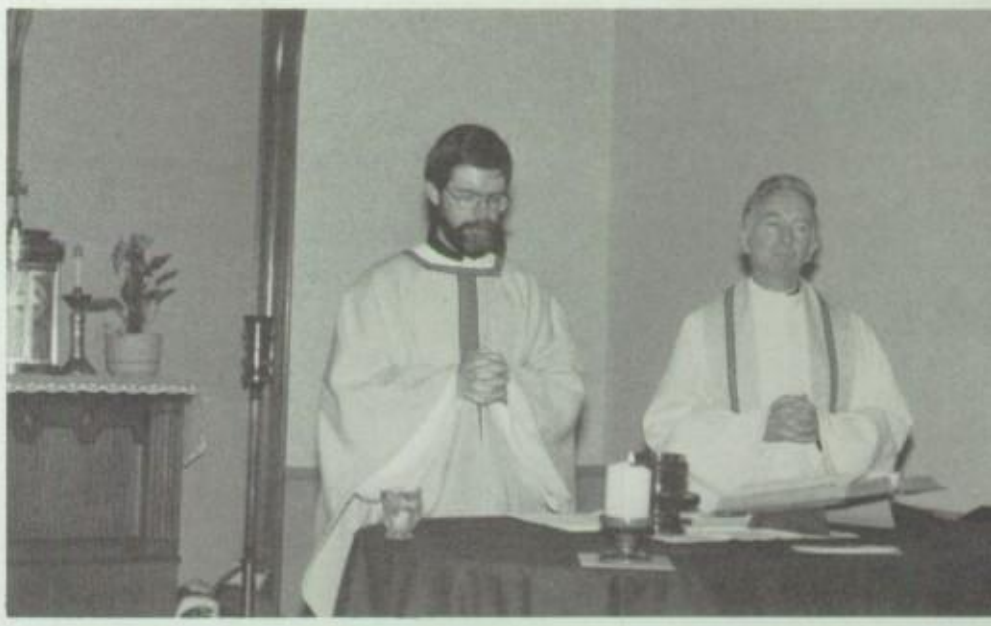
"The Rock," "The Intimidator," or whatever you want to call him, he's AWESOME! Yes, Rocen Keeton can be that devastating. Middle linebacker supreme. He cleaned house when people ran his way and stuffed any running attack that ran up the middle. He was a factor whenever he touched the field. Off the field Rocen is a good student who realizes the importance of his studies. He's not another dumb jock who goes to college and can't read. All these reasons are why he was recruited by such schools as, UCLA, Washington, Oklahoma and USC.

Jimmy Hazelitt batters the St. Bernard's backfield.

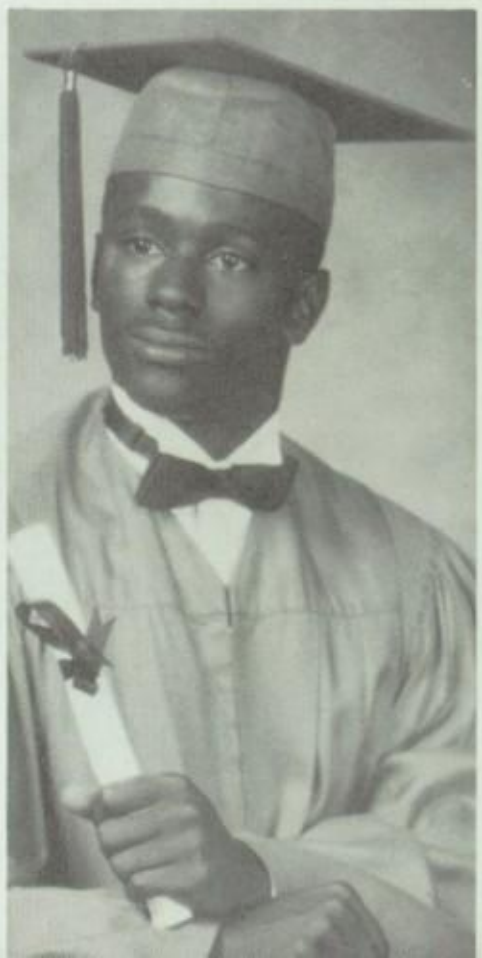


One Mind, One Heart, One Team





The 1985 Serra football team strongly believed in their family concept. After many players quit and the fans desserted them they were forced to draw strength from each other. We made it a constant reminder to ourselves to grow each week as a family. Thanks to Father Mark and Father Pat the team had outstanding and spiritually uplifting masses before the game. The Family's bond was strong in 1985.



"The wildman is on the loos again," was a popular call i the stands at Serra games thi season. These references wer made to Daryl Singlton, th Cavaliers outstanding tail back. He was a very spirite leader who played his hear out every game. All the team in the league remember hir and his blazing speed, whic helped him to gain much o his league leading 1,300 yard rushing.

Around school Daryl i known for his free-spirited at titude and his ever presen smile. An excellent studen makes him a complete stu dent-athlete, which shoul make him successful in col lege.

Once Champs . . .

. . . Always Champs.

Serra lines up against the CIF champs.

Rocen is down, but not out.

The Serra team had a long and tough season. There were however many great performances and the 1/11th concept installed by Coach Washburn really paid off.

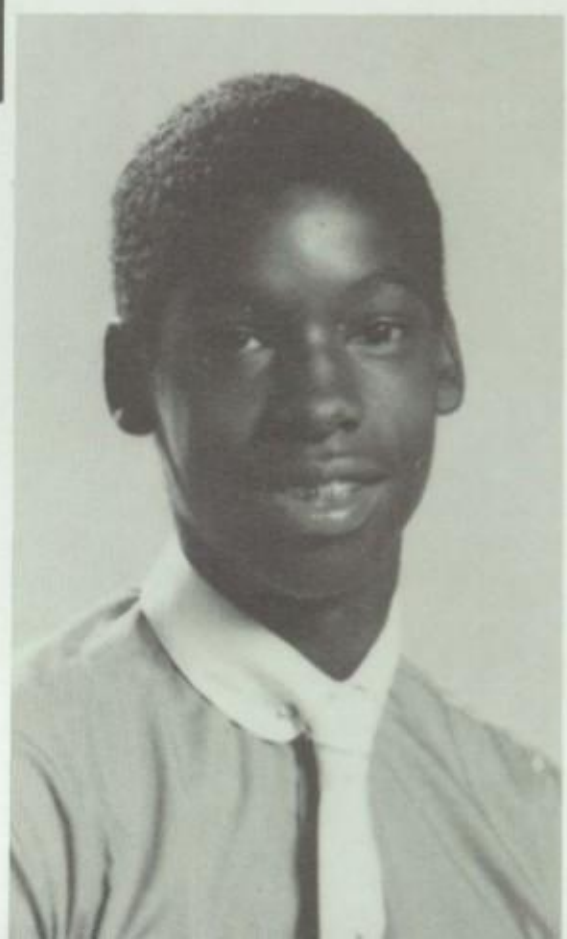
Offensive linemen don't get a lot of recognition but can have a lot of fun in the game of football. Terence LeDoux had a lot of fun making holes for Cavalier backs. Terry compiled a large number of skeletons on his belt for his elimination of opposing lineman. His abilities projected him to All-League honors and respect around the league.

Terry is also a good student, who is well liked at Serra. His toughness, dedication and hard work made Terry the best that he could be.

You make the call.

Frosh-Soph Comes Back From The Dead

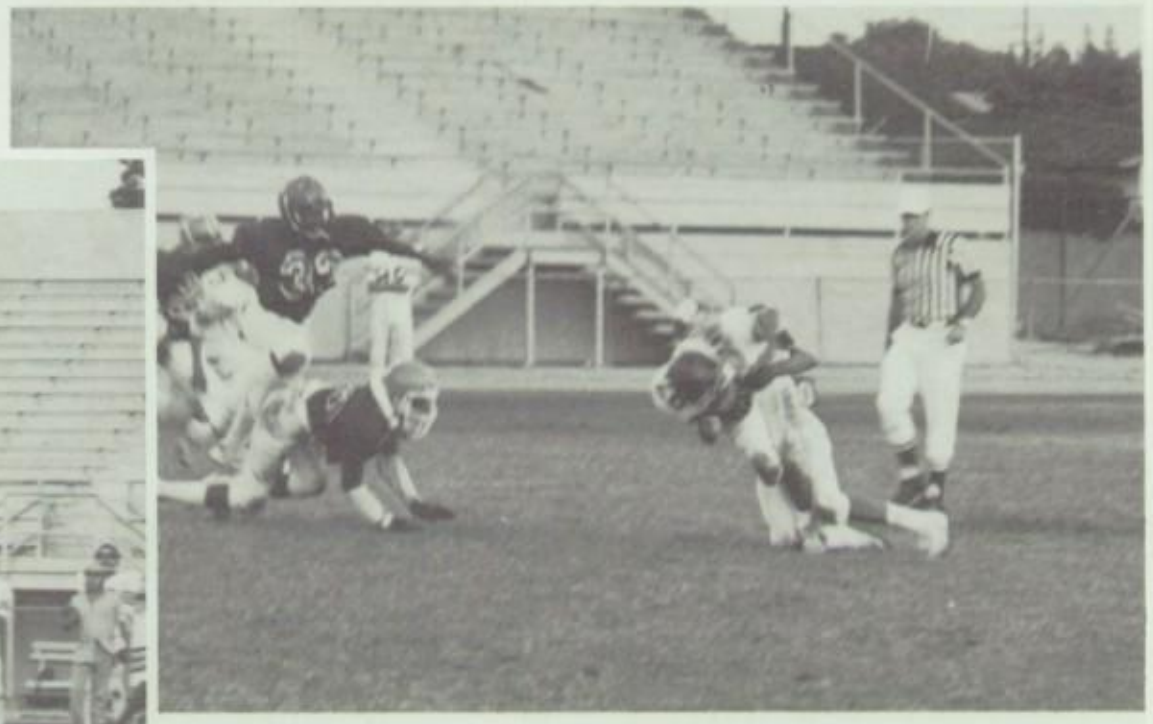
The 1985 Frosh-Soph football team completed its best season since 1981. With Coach Brett Richardson at the helm the team was able to play excellent and exciting football. The Baby Cavs played with the skills and intensity found in the Serra's football program. The team truly showed that Serra spirit is alive and not dying.



If you would like to tal about excellent prospect in the future you mus start with Sophomor Deon Figures.

He was one of the mos outstanding players o the frosh-soph level in th whole CRL. At runnin back he showed outstand ing potential for the year ahead. Deon is an al around athlete who ex cells in many sports, alon with football. Most of u can expect good and excit ing things from Mr. Fig ures in the future here a Serra.

Champs Once Again



The biggest supporters of the 1985 frosh-soph team were the players parents. They sat in the stands and cheered their boys on to victory. They were real inspirational for the young team. Thanks to the parents the team was able to be very successful and play with pride.

Glen Baham is only a freshman but he showed the poise of a senior. He captained the team to all of their victories with his outstanding play. Every time he took the field he was so cool and calm that you would sometimes wonder if he was playing. Glen is a well rounded athlete who also plays basketball, along with baseball. Before his days are over at Serra he should lead the Cavaliers to many more victories.

The Cheerleaders

The cheerleaders jump for joy at a rally.

Wendy Jarrett, Franshelle Henry, Tisha James, Tracy Lee and Raquel Boquille pose for the camera at the Canyon Country game.

Serra games can be quite uninspiring at times. Points are scored, passes are thrown, and touchdowns are made. Yet through it all, good and bad, the cheerleaders rally to pump new life into the sagging bodies of both player and fan. Throughout our seasons, basketball and football, the cheerleaders and pep squad smiled, even during the losses, and cheered, in spite of sometimes arctic temperatures. These vivacious young ladies dedicated themselves to keeping the spirit alive and well for Serra. Their exciting cheers drew energy from the crowds, and focused it upon the team. Our cheerleaders gave more than their share to the Serra family, and in many ways they contributed to our winning season.

Oops Tracy!

1985-1986 Cheerleading Squad

Captain- Tracy Lee Co. Captain- Manuela Howard
Asst. Co. Captain- Demetra Burns

Raquel Boquille
Franshell Henry
Tisha James
Dana Williams
Jerelyn Dorsey
Lola Hilliard
Wendy Jarrett
Yvonne Williams
Yvette Woods
Toi Bordenave

The Pep Squad Takes a break at the game.

Go! Fight! Win! And Shake That Skirt!

The Cheerleaders flying high at a rally.

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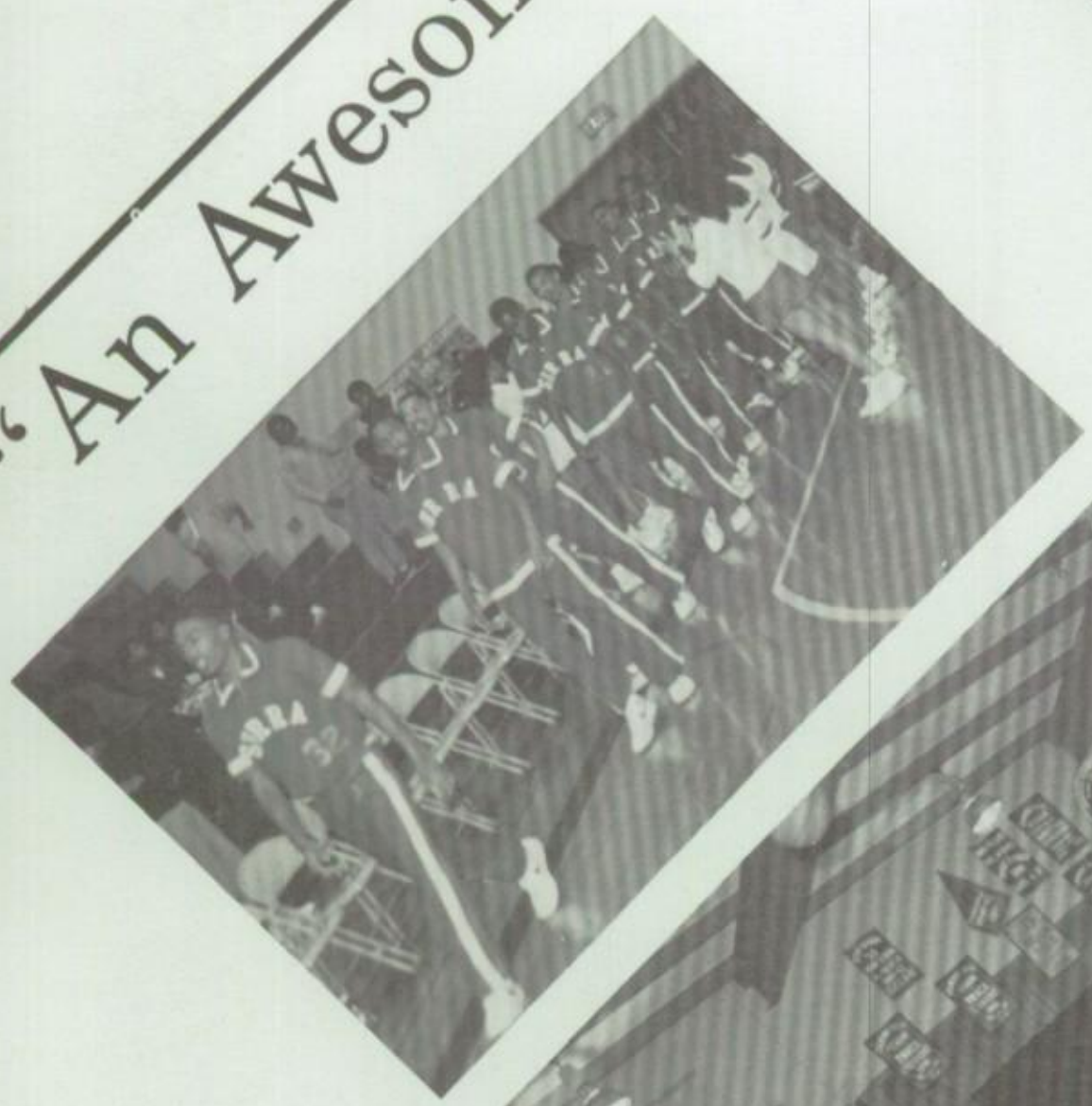
Camino Real League Champs

"An Awesome Season In Review"



Remember This Game . . . Serra 88 Verbum Dei 76

Faith is a strong concept that was most clearly exemplified in Serra's rematch against Verbum Dei at Compton College. Trailing by 18 at the half, all seemed lost as the Serra side of the gym was quiet. This desolation carried over into Serra's locker room as the only voice to be heard was that of coach McDaniel. "If you'd only keep the faith" is one thing that he told the team. A phrase that Mac constantly reiterates.

Trailing by 22 points late in the third period it appeared to be a reoccurring nightmare of the first half. Then suddenly something clicked. Serra perfected its 2-2-1 full court trap, causing numerous turnovers. It was a concentrated team effort as the crucial points were scored, sending the game into overtime. The first overtime period saw a seesaw battle as both teams exchanged point for point. With Serra winning by 2 with 3 seconds left, Verbum Dei called timeout at their own basket. The tension grew as the fans watched in awe, and both teams anticipated the weight of these last three seconds. When play resumed, Verbum Dei scored a basket at the buzzer sending the game into a second overtime. In the second overtime, the fouling out of key Verbum Dei players gave Serra the incentive, the extra push that enabled them to believe that they could win and Serra responded winning by 12: 88-76.

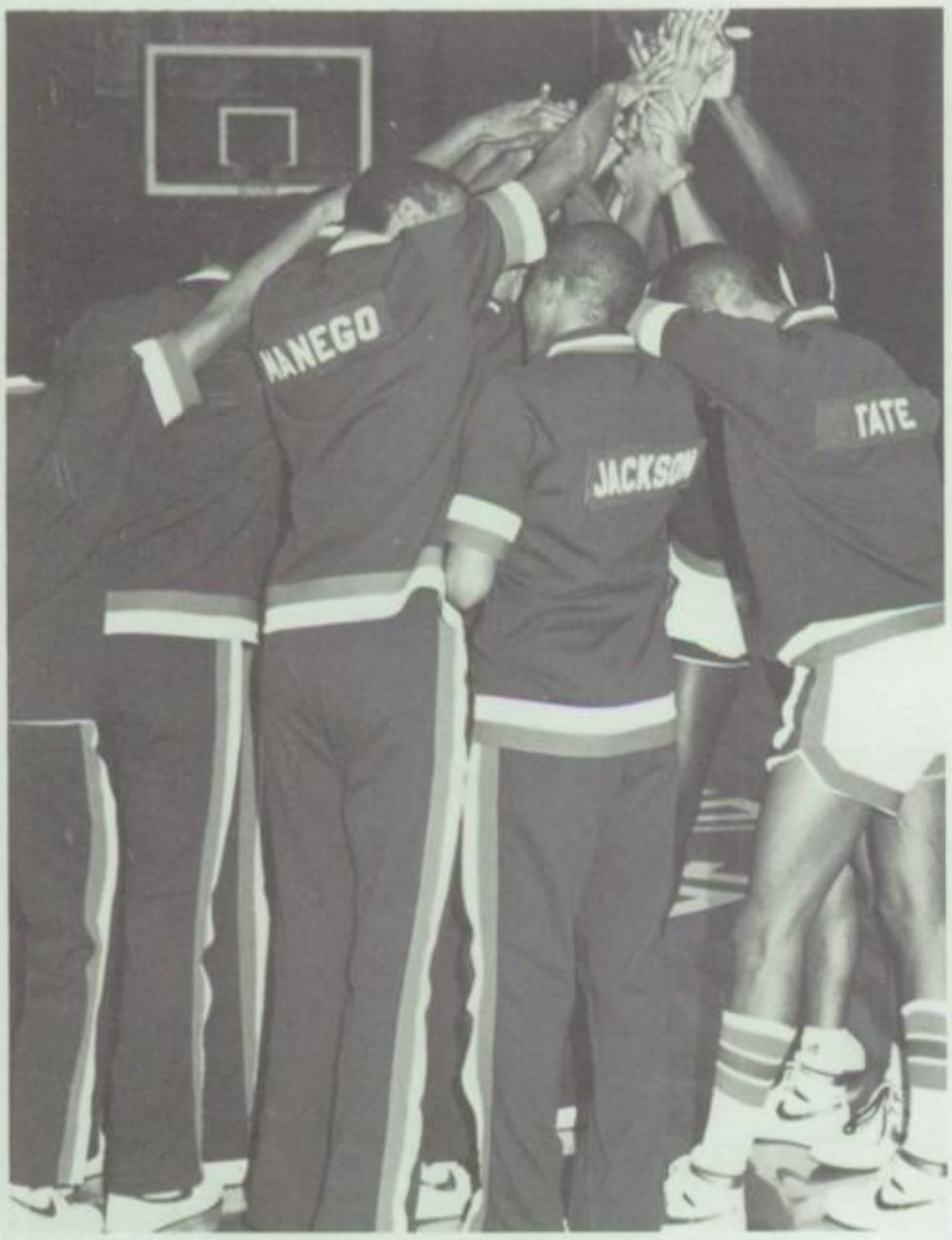
Serra 88 St. Anthony 80

As the Serra Basketball Team entered St. Anthony's gym, they couldn't help but recall the five overtime loss that they suffered the previous year. Serra did not want a repeat performance of that game. The intensity level of this game was high as both teams played a very physical game. At one point early in the game, St. Anthony went on a 10-0 spurt and forced Serra to call a timeout. During this timeout, St. Anthony's fans shouted deafening cheers as the Serra Basketball Team tried to regain their composure. When play resumed, Serra indeed had regained their composure as they cut St. Anthony's lead to a minimum. At the half, St. Anthony was only winning by 3.

In the second half Serra played good solid basketball. They stayed out of foul trouble, olayed good aggressive defense, and the offense speaks for itself. With a combination like this, you can't lose and Serra didn't: 88-80.

Serra 90 St. Bernard 81

When St. Bernard took the court to warm up, you could see the serious look on the players faces, faces filled with determination and in search of avenging the 84-68 loss that they suffered to Serra just two weeks before. This sight was altered as Serra walked onto the court with pride. Serra's basketball team had a look of confidence, a feeling that they could beat anyone who stood in their way. This was a typical Serra, St. Bernard match-up as St. Bernard's gym had to be closed early because of the great number of people. The fans were excited, the stage was set for one of the great rivalries in the Camino Real League. From the very beginning, this was a fast paced game. Throughout the game Serra would be winning by as much as 10 points only to see St. Bernard close to within 2 points and even tie the game. The game was livened by spectacular plays from both teams. Who will forget the egg that was thrown at the Serra fans in the middle of the game? IN the final minutes of the game Serra played the kind of basketball that had enabled them to go undefeated in the first half of the season. Serra never let down until the final score appeared: Serra 90, St. Bernard 81.



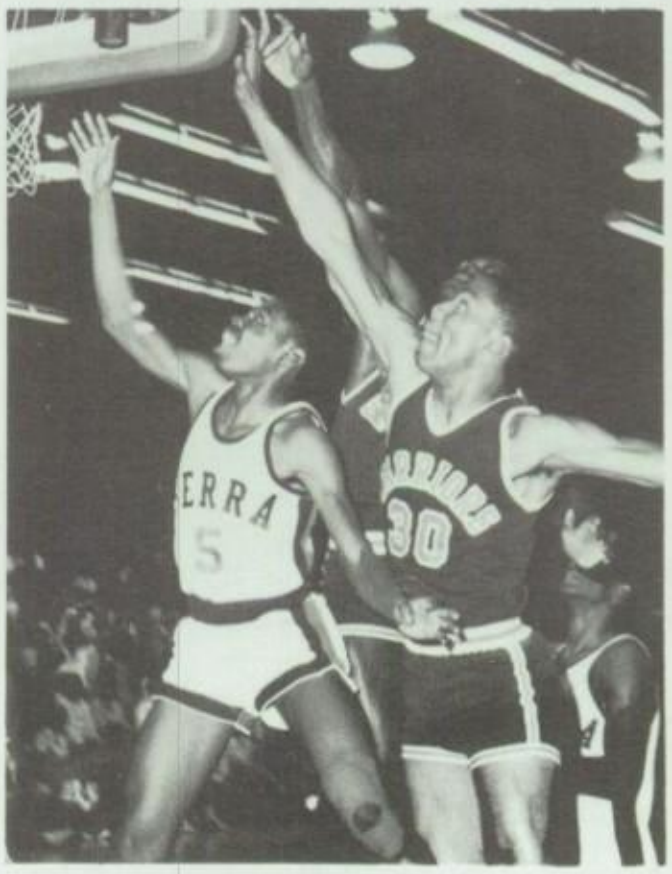
Serra 74 Cantwell 67

At this time in the season, Serra was 9-0 in league play, coming off of the big win against St. Bernard two days earlier. The mood amongst the team was a relaxed one, perhaps a bit too relaxed. Throughout the first half, the game was literally controlled by Cantwell. They took advantage of Serra's numerous turnovers and mistakes and cashed in on almost all of them. Cantwell was leading by three at halftime. Cantwell fans were ecstatic while the few Serra fans who were in attendance began to worry a little bit.

In the second half Serra awakened from their relaxed state to take control of the game. Serra caught up, and at times had a commanding lead. However, the tenacious play that Cantwell exhibited in the first half carried over into the second half. At times Cantwell cut the lead down to margins of 3 or 5. Serra held on in the final minutes to overcome Cantwell: 74-67. This game served as a valuable lesson to Serra: Never let down and never underestimate your opponent.

1985-86 Undefeated Cavaliers

There are many components that make a great basketball team. Pride, faith, and most importantly, self-discipline. These components were exemplified this year by our Varsity Basketball Team. It was evident by the fact that they went undefeated in league play 14-0. However, this status does not come to a great team overnight. Hard work is the key, this includes hours of practice, early in the morning or till all hours of the night. These things prepare a team well to go forth into the long and difficult season.



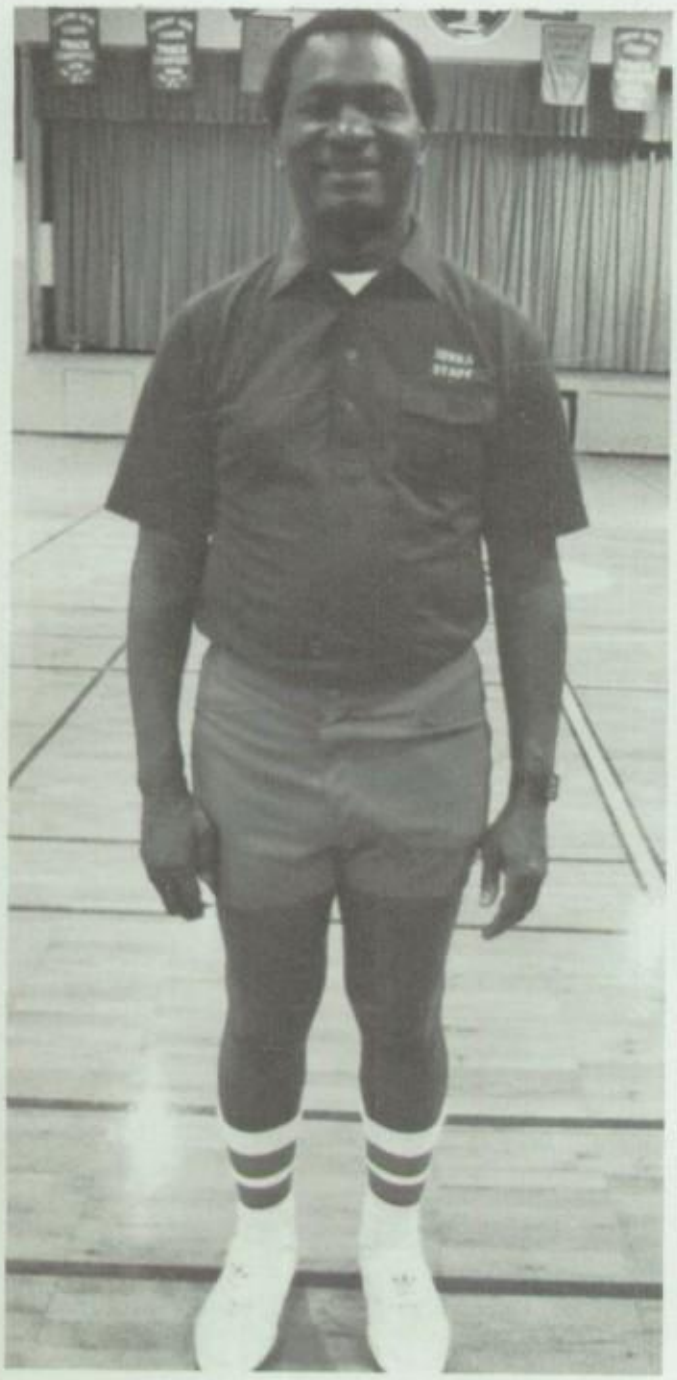
The Magical Combination:
James Moses And Keith Malone

This year Serra witnessed a basketball combination perhaps unlike any other. This was the combination of James Moses and Keith Malone; "Moses Malone" as many people termed it. James and Keith were Serra's 1-2 scoring punch. Between the two of them, they scored well over 50 points per game, (the team as a whole averaged over 80 points per game.) Whenever the crucial points were needed, rest assured Keith or James were there to answer the call. Their contributions did not go unnoticed as they were both named to the Camino Real First Team.

James is a newcomer to Serra this year. His presence can most definitely be felt on the court as he averaged 25 points per game this season. During a game when all seems dead and gone, James is like a spark plug that adds life to the team. When the tempo of the game is slow, James will speed it up as he takes one of his deadly jumpshots to get things going. Off the court when he's out of the game, "J-Mo" is like a 6th player to the team as he cheers the team on to victory. James was named to the Camino Real League First Team this year. Since James is only a Sophomore, Serra can look forward to a great player who will grow better with age.

If there's anyone who can be described as an all around player it is Keith Malone. In this his senior year, Keith is averaging 27 points per game and he leads the team in other categories. Sometimes Keith is called "The Garbage Man" because he always seems to pick up the difficult rebounds under the boards to score points. One thing that makes Keith a great basketball player is the fact that he possesses a great amount of self-discipline and control. Where many other players would let the game control them, Keith keeps his composure and does not succumb to pressure. This year Keith was named Most Valuable Player of the Camino Real League.

"Coach Of The Year"
Mr. George McDaniels



At the offset of the season, Mr. George McDaniel was set with a problem of a so called rebuilding year. With only one returning starter, everyone picked Serra to finish 5th in league with no contention of another title. But Mr. McDaniel saw differently and molded the "talent" he had into a team of undefeated champions.

"Mac" has been at the helm of the Varsity basketball team with 2 CRL Titles and 2 final four appearances in 2 years. "Mac" is a teacher, a father, and a preacher. "Mac" doesn't just teach basketball but he teaches his players the philosophy of life. He teaches all of his players to become a whole man.

"Mac" presents his philosophies from the Bible and teaches everyone to believe in God and his teachings. "Mac" believes that you should always keep the faith and he always says, "Only if you had the faith of a mustard seed."

"Mac" shows his players that basketball is like life itself and it should be lived one moment at a time.

"Mac" is a perfectionist who demands from each of his players 110% and be all they can be. Another philosophy of Mac's is that the mind is more powerful than the body. If you are mentally tough, you can achieve any conceivable goal.

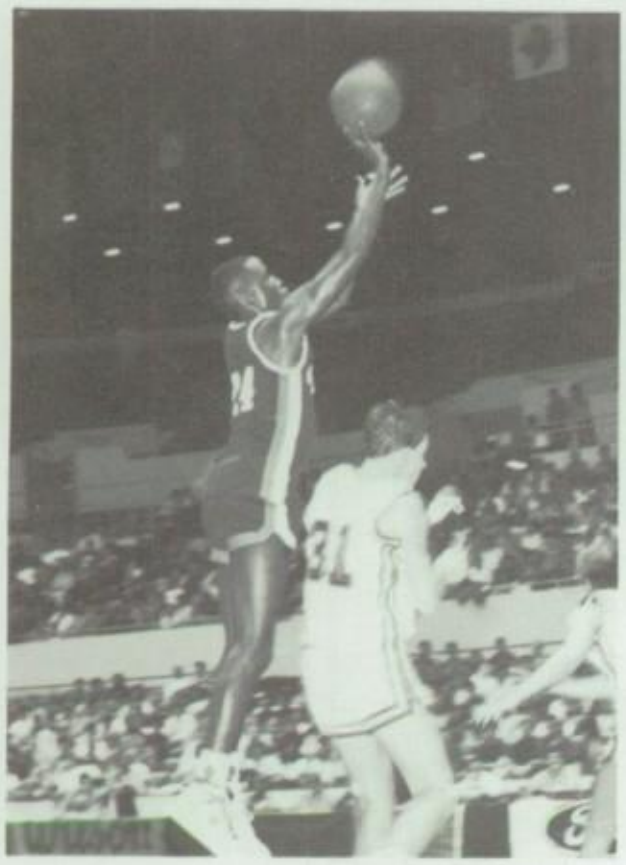
Camino Real Champs Debut At The C.I.F. Playoffs

Serra 61 Edison 57

Coming into this playoff game with Edison, Serra was making their 2nd Final Four appearance in two years. As the Serra Basketball Team entered the Los Angeles Sports Arena, they were filled with awe. They had never played a basketball game in a place that large this year. The newness of the Sports Arena soon wore off as the team took the court to warm up. From that moment on, all concentration was centered on the game. Edison jumped off to an early lead converting almost every shot that was thrown up. Serra came back tying the game. Throughout the first half, Serra and Edison went point for point. However Edison began to pull away and was leading by 5 at halftime. Offensively, Edison played a near perfect game in the 1st half.

In the second half, Serra turned the tables. They played good defense and caused the necessary turnovers that enabled them to take the lead. At one point in the 3rd quarter, Serra was leading by as much as 10 points. Again Edison cut the lead down to a very slim margin. The 4th quarter was perhaps the slowest quarter that Serra has played this year. Serra only scored 9 points in this quarter but it was enough now to advance to the CIF 5A Championship. It marked the first time in the school's history that a basketball team made it this far.

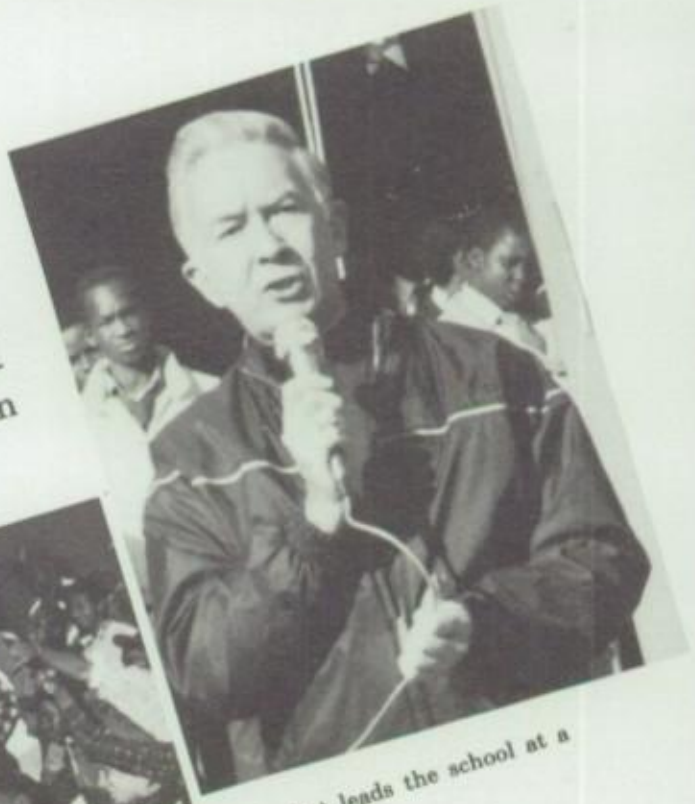
Edison Falls In The Hands Of The Serra Cavaliers



The Fans

The Fans of Serra are an ever present force which gives a constant uplift to the teams. We at Serra owe an unpayable debt to our fans, who cheered during the frigid temperatures of the Canyon Country game, and supported us, even when it wasn't "Fashionable."

Derrick Gouthier ponders a football game.



Fr. Pat leads the school at a victory rally.

The Serra fans serve as a constant catalyst to the team. Case in point: the basketball game between Serra and Verbum Dei at Compton College. During the first half of the game, Serra was down by 20 points and Verb was more confident than they had been in the last 10 years. However, Serra rallied back and after double overtime managed to relieve Verb of that confidence with an 88 to 76 victory, a testiment to the fortitude of Serra, both fans, who supported, and the players.

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Darvin and James bashfully acknowledge their fans.

"It's Time"
1986 Cavalier Varsity Baseball

(Top Row) Bob Fleming, Greg Ruel, Eric Gray, Lawrence Mcdow, Paul Beaman, Jimmy Hazelitt, Anthony Williams, Darin Flemming, (Middle Row) Gerald Boagni, Chris Jones, Terrance Capers, Anthony McCrary, Marvyn Mack, Byron Blair, (Bottom Row) Mike Salgado, Cris Aldridge, Eric Williams, Nelson Cade, Erikk Aldridge.

The Men Behind The Team:

Ass't. Coach
Greg Ruel

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Head Coach
Bob Flemming

Asst. Coach
Darin Fleming

Serra's success as a school has always been based on dedicated people who give of themselves to the school. Coach Bob Fleming dedication exemplifies what giving is all about. He must be given full credit for reviving the Serra baseball program. In his second year as head coach he constantly drives his players to improve their work ethics. Coach Fleming is constantly drilling his players on the fundamentals of baseball, and conditioning the players in order to build a winning machine. Even though Coach Fleming has continued to re-model the baseball facilities (adding new dugouts, planting new grass, and installing new batting cage apparatus), more than anything he wants his players to be the best that they can be and start a winning tradition in baseball at Serra.

"Baseball Is Repetition, Repetition"

Coach Bob Fleming keeps constantly reminding his players that baseball is a repetitious sport. He says that no matter what level you play on you are basically using and working on the same fundamentals. Baseball has basically four components that makes a team complete. They are hitting, throwing, fielding, and running. Hitting takes not only good technique, but a burning desire to hit the ball as hard as you can. Fielding takes hours of practice, and is basically a battle between you and the ball. Throwing is when you have to concentrate and block all other factors out. Running takes discipline and being alert on the bases. If a team can put those four elements together it will be successful.

Throughout the past five years, Serra's Baseball program has not had a second baseman who was a threat both offensively and defensively. These characteristics can be found in the actions of Erikk Aldridge. Offensively, Erikk serves as one of the top three batters, and is a reliable clutch hitter. He makes it his will to advance runners on base. Although Erikk is not very talented on the dance floor, he's very talented on the baseball field. On defense, his ability to track down balls up the middle, and to leap over runners at second base to complete the double play make his defensive skills an asset. All of these skills plus his academic excellence puts him above the rest.

Practice Makes Perfect . . .

Hitting

Throwing

Fielding

Running

. . . In Every Phase Of The Game!

The Family Spirit Comes Alive . . .

"Baseball Fever . . . Serra Style"

There has never been a good team without an outstanding centerfielder. This years Serra Baseball Team has an outstanding centerfielder in senior Eric Williams. When there is a deep drive against Serra and it looks like no one can catch up to it, have no fear because E-Will is here. He may go after the ball like one of Jerry's kids, but you know what goes up goes in his glove. Yet catching the ball does not make a great centerfielder, one must possess a good arm. Eric possess a gun. Opposing teams know to stay out of Eric's neighborhood. He is not only a threat defensively but also a threat offensively. As the lead off hitter, once he's on first, he's already on second and in scoring position. Off the field Eric is very active in school life and Student Council. You can always count on Eric's eccentric outbursts to make a day interesting. All of these things helps keep Cavalier Pride alive.

This year's varsity baseball team has finally come together to produce its own identity as a team and a family. Everyone at Serra knows who is on the baseball team because of the bond that they have for one another. The team hangs around together off the field as a representation of the team's pride and unity. The family concept carries onto the field, where the team is able to play in harmony with one another. In actuality this is the first year the Serra family concept has been displayed on the baseball field. The rock of faith that the team has build has given the team a source of strength to fall back on.

. . . And The Winning Spirit Is Restored.

"Let's Play Ball!!!"

Terrance Capers' mighty swing.

Cris Aldridge lets the high one go.

Eric Williams shows his stroke.

The hours of work is almost complete. The starting players are placed into the line up. The batting order is adjusted and implemented. The red and blue is put on proudly, as you place your cleates on in anticipation to take the field. A quick prayer to Our Lady, and then a sprint onto the field. You take your pre-game warm up drills with a fierce intensity. Now it's the opponents turn for pre-game, as you look for the other team's weak links. As you put on your helmet, and grab your favorite bat, you then proceed to the plate. You stare down the pitcher, give your coach the thumbs up, and step into the batters box. The umpire then yells, "Play Ball!!!"

Every ball club has that one player who does not receive a lot of recognition, but gets the job done. Byron Blair epitomizes that type of player. Despite not having previous varsity experience, he has developed into an outstanding player. Byron has worked very hard to earn his starting job at first base. He is an excellent defensive player who is not afraid to take a ball off the chest, and is well known for his brutal tags on runners at first base. Byron is also an excellent hitter who bats cleanup, and does he clean up. His powerful swing strikes fear into the hearts of opposing pitchers. Off the field Byron is very active at Serra, and is involved in many Serra functions. You can always count on at least one of Byron's ominous looks during the day. All of these things helps keep Cavalier pride alive.

C.A. and C.A. equals . . .

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Track & Field

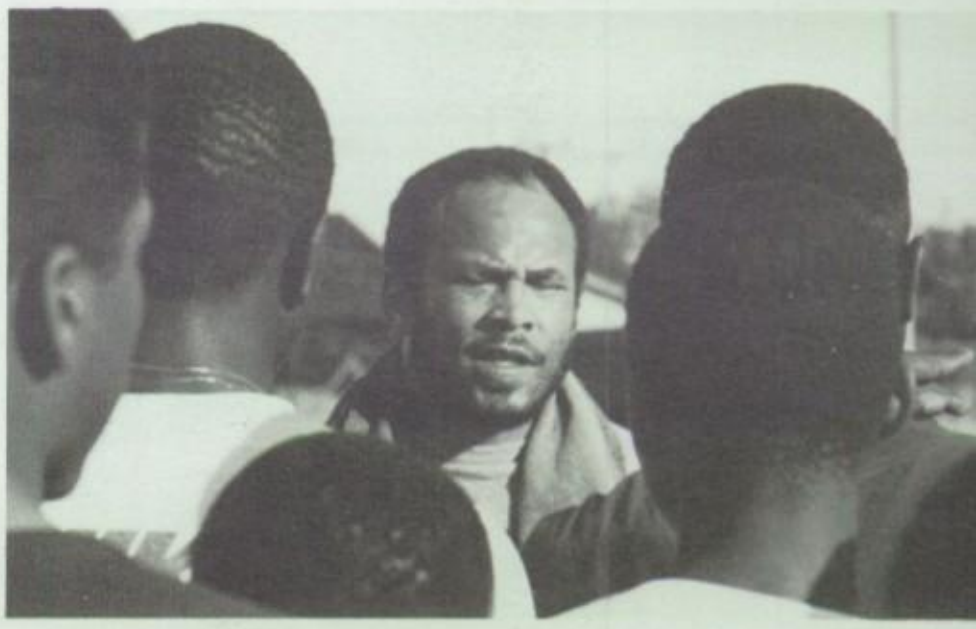
Chris Robinson shows perfect form; or does he?

Track and Field is ancient and enduring sport. It has grown from a sport in Ancient Greece of only a few events to a modern sport of many events. Unlike many other sports which are either individual or team, track combines the philosophy of teamwork with the individualistic philosophy of personal competition.

For the Serra track athlete the season did not start on March first. Preceeding the meets are grueling months of hard conditioning. Many injuries-from a hamstring pulled on a 220 curve to a head bruised after missing the pit on a pole vault are the result of a lack of conditioning. Thanks to Mr. Dale Washburn, the 1986 Serra track team, unlike the team of 84, was an extremely well conditioned machine.

Hardwork = Track star (Jimmy Tucker!!!)

Darryl Singleton brings home another medal.



Washburn instructs the troops

The workouts began fairly easy and gradually got harder until they built up to the dreaded intervals, something that sends the greatest athletes to their knees. Conditioning is used not only to lift young men to new heights of conditioning, but also to weed out those not serious about the trials and tribulations of track and field.

A vital component to a successful track season is discipline. The reason for this is simple. When an event comes down to deciseconds or inches, it's little, unnoticed things that separate a true winner from just an athletes. It could be those seemingly trivial things that can upset the outcome of an event: the misadjustment of a block, wrong steps on a jump approach, lack of a lean at the tape, bungled handoff on a relay-these are prime examples of the many undisciplined mistakes that can happen, costing an athlete the event or a team the meet. It must be remembered that discipline is not given, it is worked for. There is physical discipline. There is also mental or guteral discipline also known as heart or "webbles." Unlike physical discipline's solution, which is practice, practice, practice, mental discipline's solution lies in one thing-desire; to win for both self and team. Lack of "webbles" isn't as obvious as someone falling because of a lack of physical discipline or hitting the giant wall from lack of discipline. Mental discipline comes in when physical discipline fails. It is on the final stretch when your legs want to fall off and your chest cave in and you have to reach deep down inside and give it all you got.

John Jackson all alone in front as usual

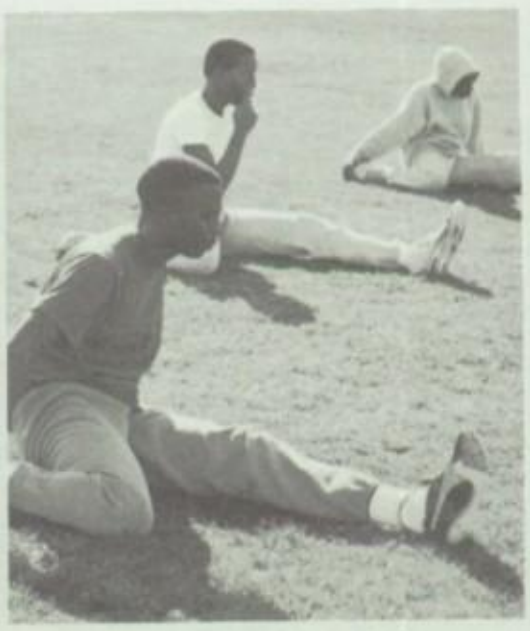
Oh! What a wonderful day for running

A daily smile from Daryl

David and Mike exchange the baton

Brian a spitting image of his brother Chris

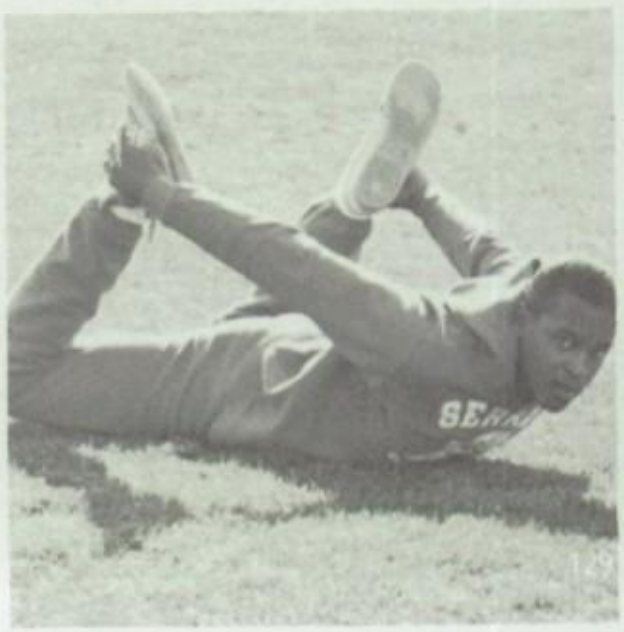
Mike concentrating for s perfect start

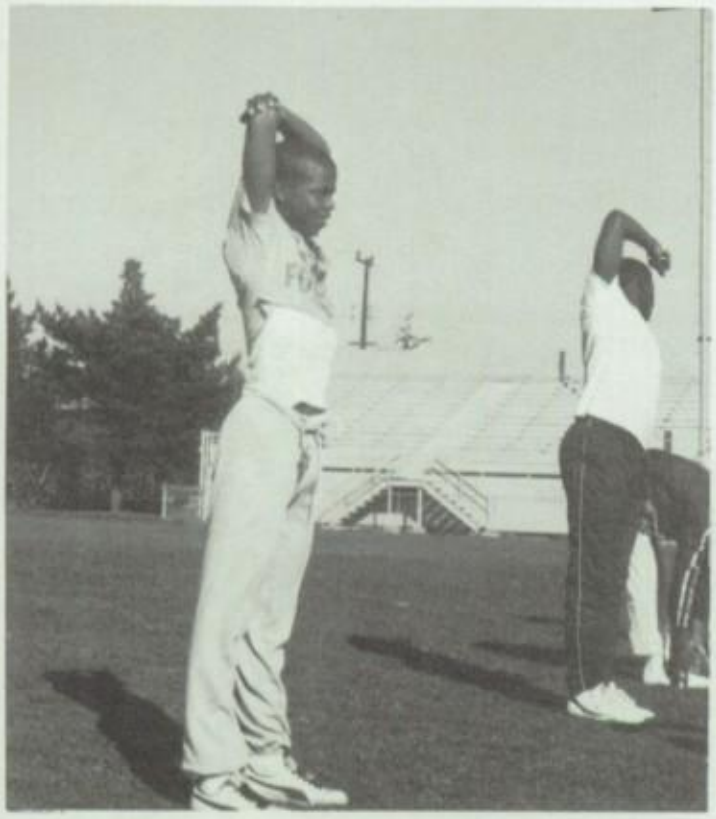


Mark Davis takes stretching seriously

One of the most thrilling aspects of track and field is individual competition. In no other sport-not baseball, not football, not basketball- does an athlete rely so much upon himself. In other sports, in the aftermath of defeat, you can blame someone else, whether it be for a fumble, a foul, or an error, there is always a scapegoat. Well there is no scapegoat in track. In defeat an athlete can only look to himself to find the reason for his failure. Conversely, in no other sport, does the feeling of victory feel so great, because no one else was responsible for you but you.

A gallant effort by Bobby Smalls



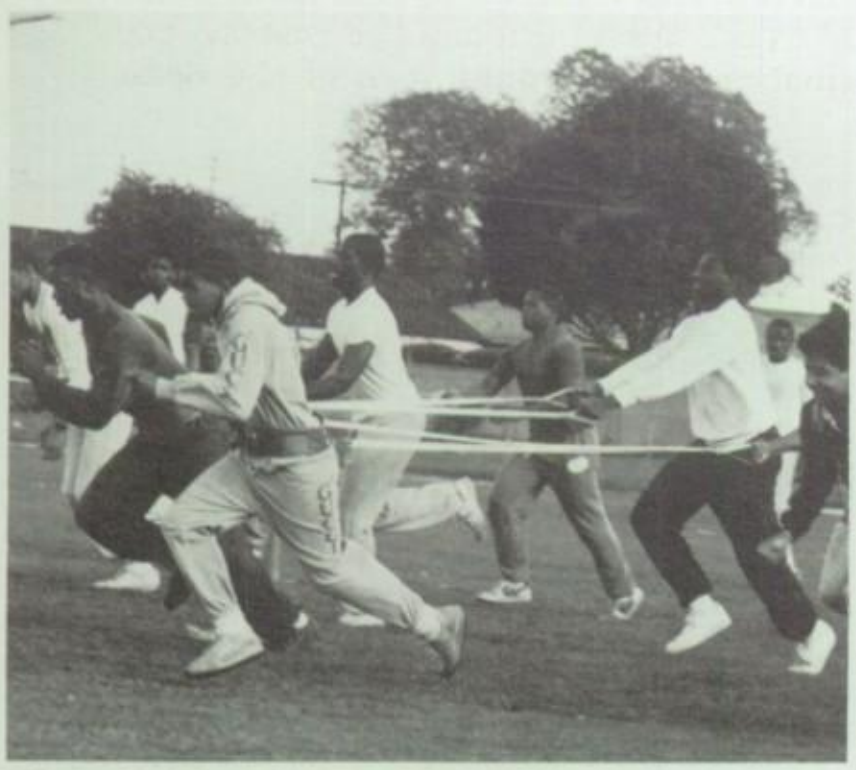


Look at those yolks ???

Serra had to have a competitive attitude because they went through this year as a very young team. There were only two varsity lettermen returning from the Camino Real League championship team of '85. There was great promise, for there were many young, talented athletes from the Frosh-Soph team, a team that finished second with only one league loss. Serra will have to gain something on the way to go with talent and experience. It may have taken time, but Serra Track was a force to be reckoned with.

Are they paying attention?

Is that perfect form?

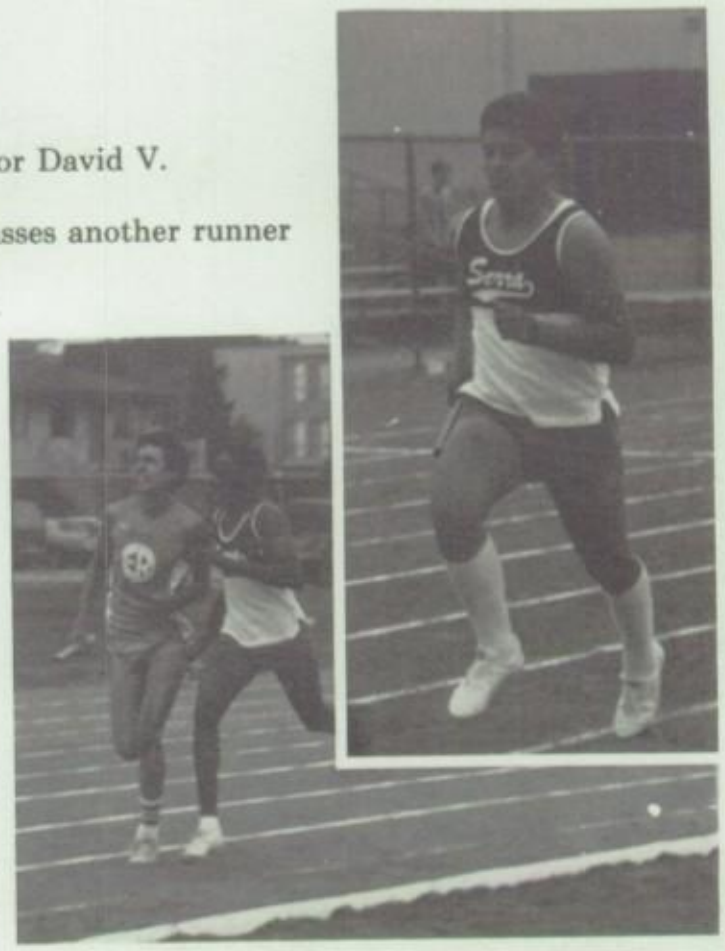


Where do you think you're going?

And they're off!

No problem for David V.

Sean Scott passes another runner



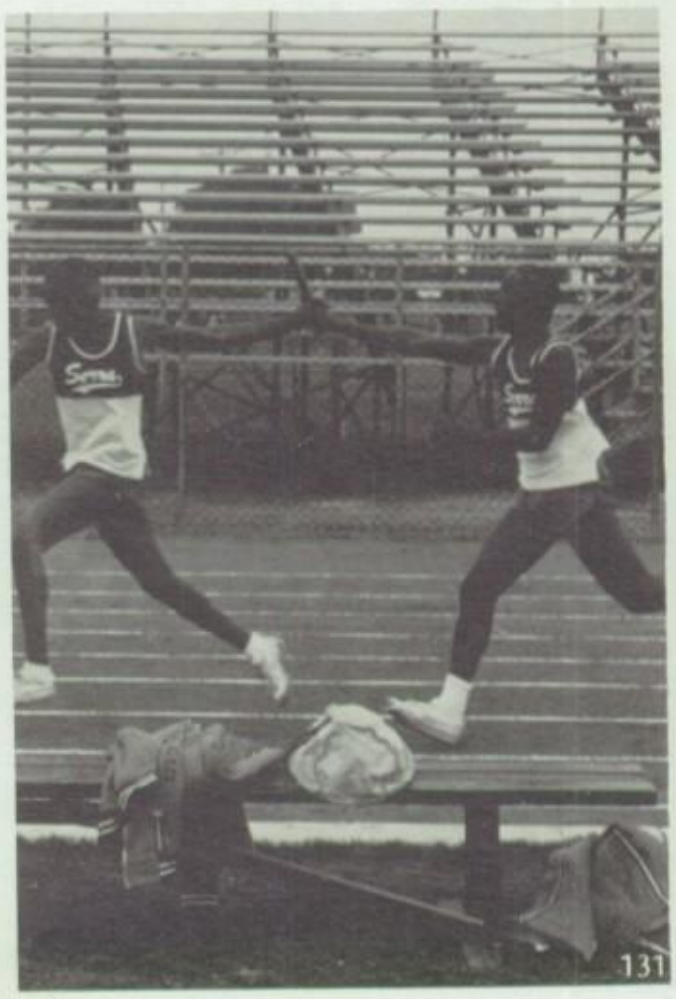
Serra started off its 1986 Track season at the Downey Relays. Serra gave a very promising showing against power-house teams such as Lynwood, Wilson, and Dominguez. Serra's Frosh-Soph and Varsity combined to take a total of 46 medals at Downey. This was a big improvement over last year's medal count. At Downey, Serra proved Coach Washburn's assertion that hard work and tough conditioning can win out over pure size any day. Although, at that time it may have seemed like Downey was the most important meet of the season it turned out to be only just the beginning.

What determination!

Next, after Downey, came what turned out to be the most important and most difficult meet of the season; Serra's arch rival Verbum Dei. While the Varsity and Frosh-Soph teams fell slightly short of victory, the Junior Varsity team won with flying colors.

Ahead of Serra was a long season of hard work and discipline. It would be tough but the track team knew they would survive and survive they did, through the leadership of Coach Washburn and the amazing grit and determination of the young men of the Serra Track team.

Alex passes another runner



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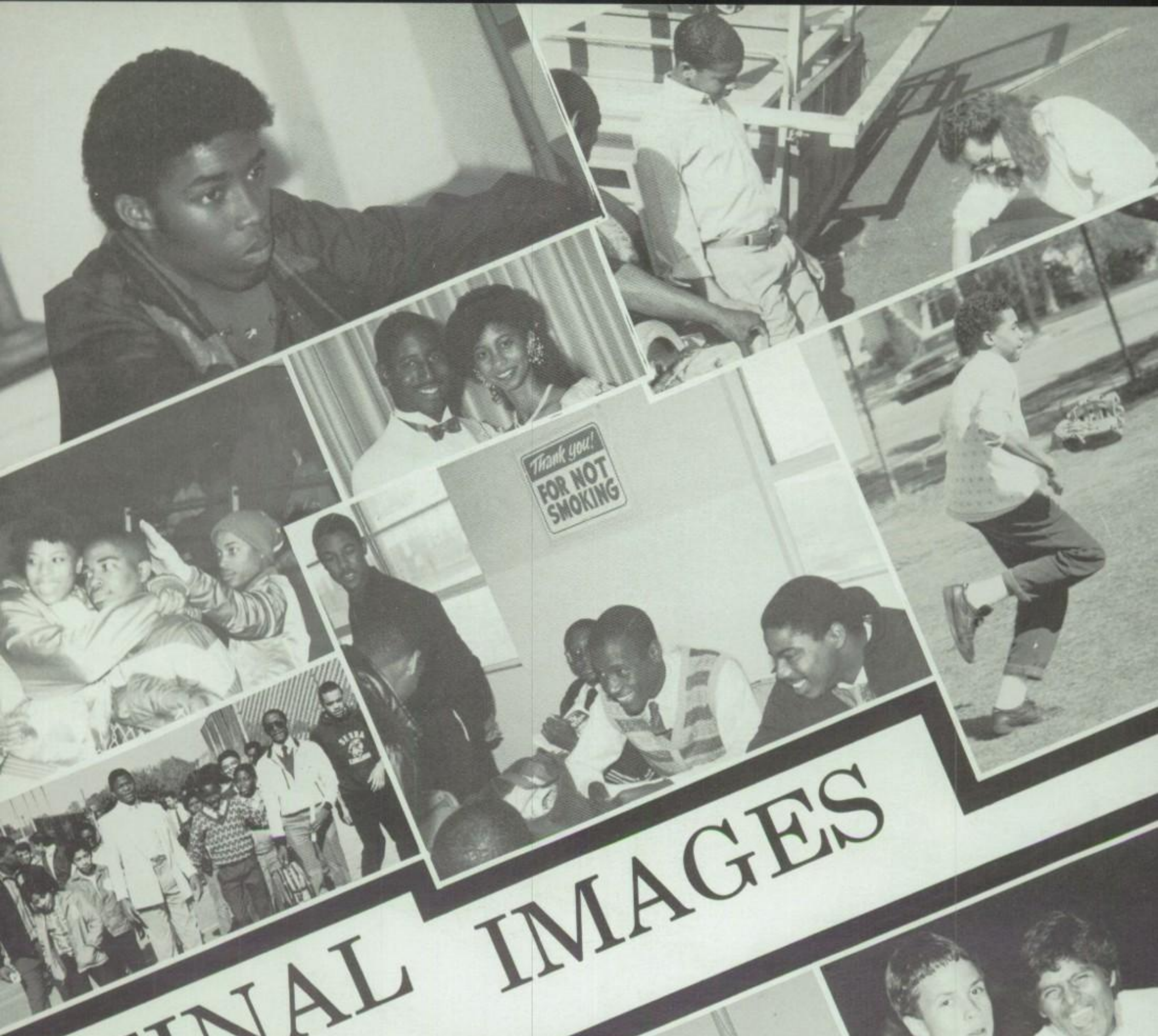

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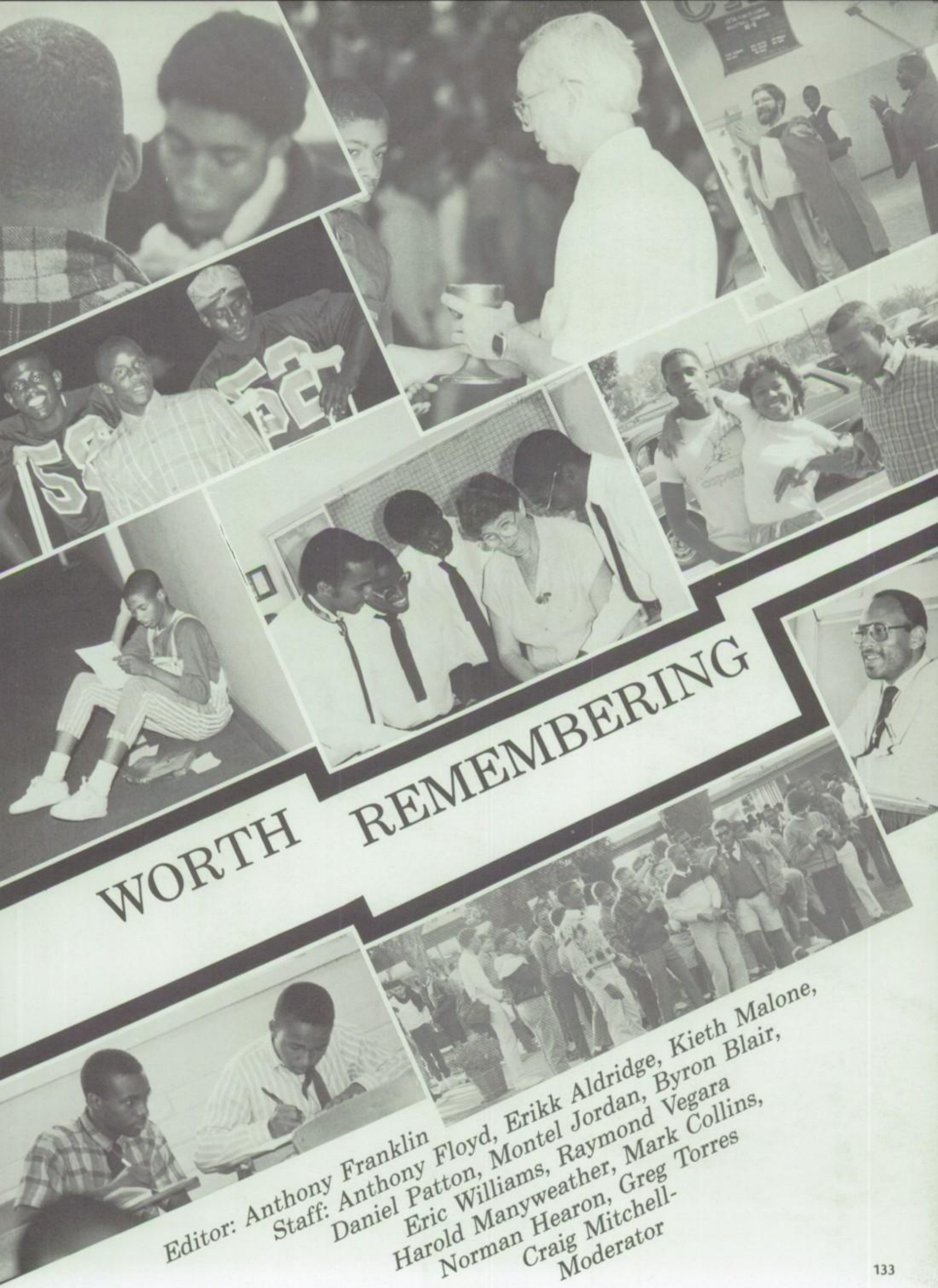

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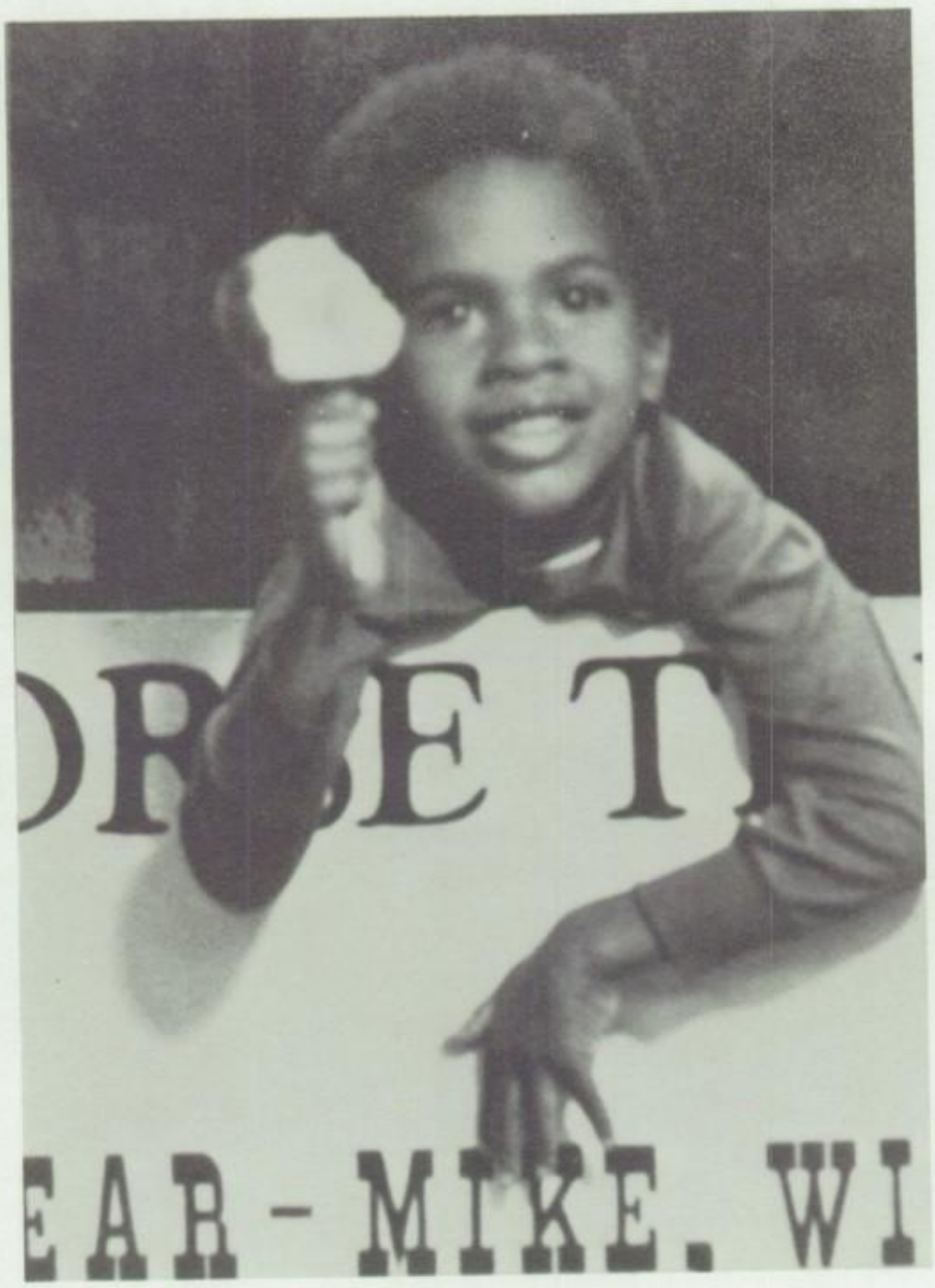

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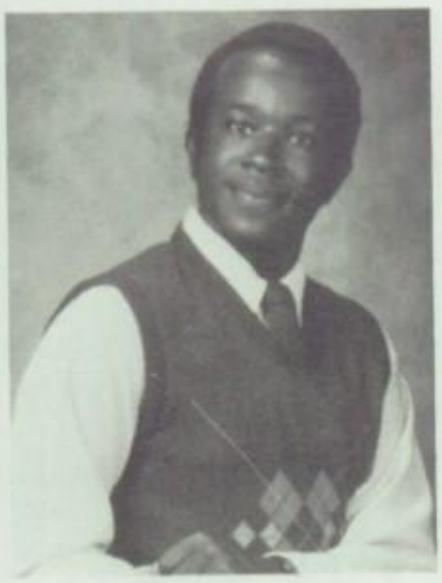

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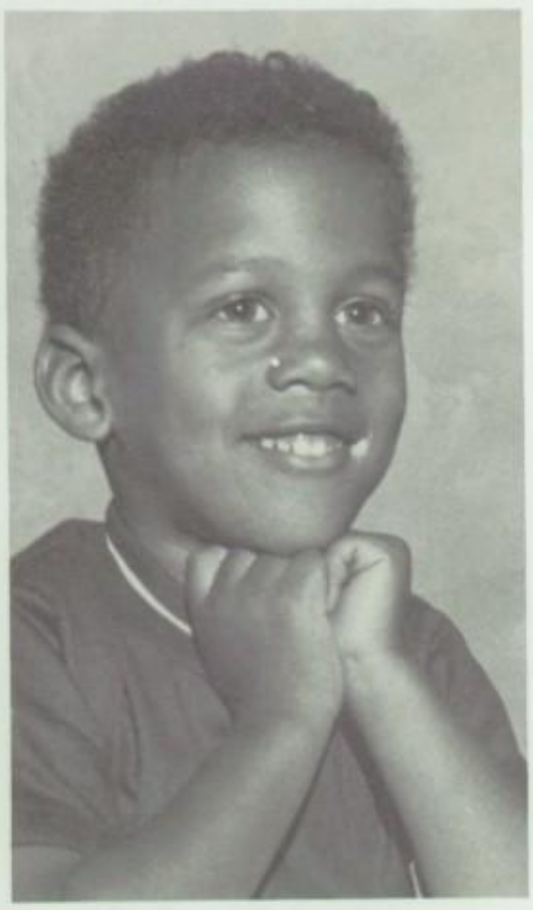

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